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NEW YORK.

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Garvey, the Plasterer, Appears as a Witness for the Prosecution.

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Special Dispatch to The Chicago Tribune.

THE ERIE SPRING CLEANING.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The combined assembly of the respectable dailies of New York and whole some public sentiment, have compelled the Committee in the Legislature to report bills whose real intent is to destroy the Erie Ring by repealing the Consolidation act, which enables some of the Directors to hold over for five years, instead of a yearly election for a new Board each year, in which the owners of the road shall have due weight. The Jay Gould subterfuge insures less ground for rally, even Thomas Wood, Chairman of the Judiciary Committee of the Senate, having been awed by the storm of public indignation into supporting the reform bills, which means that Mrs. James Fisk, in her moral position as executrix, consented to sell her late husband's interest in the Elmira Holding Mill for one half the amount it afforded Fisk annually, yielding to representations that Jay Gould was in a position to freeze her out if she refused his offer. Another story is that Fisk left a number of shares in Erie against Stealthily Jones, which Gould claimed, on the ground that Fisk owed him money, and was only defeated in his designs by General Burnside and Mr. Archer, now Vice President of Erie.

The feeling against Gould, the brains of Erie, is becoming more intense every day.

THE ELLIS SWINDLERS.

There have been another number of irons in the fire, a fresh batch of rascalities coming to light to-day. As far as heard from, their current swindles are as follows: No. 1, selling bogus watches as a consignment from the failure of a great establishment in Switzerland; No. 2, bleeding the royalty and nobility of Europe on behalf of imaginary philanthropic help for distressed emigrants; No. 3, a gift enterprise in connection with concerts for the benefit of families of Parisian patriots; No. 4, a subscription to assist Frisacia in paying the Prussian indemnity; No. 5, the Metchanic American Tea, Coffee, and Spice Co., No. 51 Liberty street, where they offered to send samples of goods for $10; No. 6, the well known counterfeit money and sawdust swindle. Ellis H. Kline was the fertile genius at the head of the concern, his brothers and others being active agents. He keeps his funds only in the portable shape of United States bonds, ready, at any time, for flight.

THE BROKEN BANKS.

The seven suspended banks in this city, whose joint unpaid liabilities amount to several millions, for the most part give no present prospect of paying even the smallest dividend. Of the seven, four are savings banks, two banks of issue and discount, suspended last December, has since been controlled by the State, and one a National Bank. Four have gone into bankruptcy, and but two have made any settlement with the depositors. The Central Savings Bank, suspended last December, is in the hands of a Receiver, and in bankruptcy. The Union Square Bank of issue and discount, suspended last December, has paid a dividend of 20 per cent to all owed bills, and promises the remainder next April. The Stuyvesant Savings Bank, suspended last October, has yet its obstinacy concealed in its pocket. The Eighth National Bank, one of the best known in the city, suspended last December, and is in a deplorable condition. The Guardian's Savings Bank has paid off all claims under $200, and 20 per cent dividend to other creditors, and probably the full indebtedness in a few months. The Market Savings Bank has been thrown into bankruptcy, and the assets look dubious. The Howling Green Savings Bank collapsed last November, and is in bankruptcy, with gloomy prospects.

DAMAGE AND DEATH FROM EXPLOSIVE OILS.

Of the 1,546 fires in New York during the thirteen months ending Feb. 1 last, 169 were caused by coal oil and its compounds. Of the 112 deaths from burns and scalds, during the same period, 35 were from the same cause. The quality of petroleum sold fabulies, is more alarming than ever before.

STREET IMPROVEMENTS.

Since 1807, New York city has paid for opening, widening and straightening twenty-one streets, mostly for short distances, $14,000,000, of which about $5,000,000 went to the Commissioners and Surveyors. Real estate owners along the line of so-called improvements, have been fleed to a certain extent.

THE HALL TRIAL.

The sensation to-day was the new J. Garvey on the expected revelations of Alderman Hall. Hall in the witness stand, in the trial of Mayor Hall, on Common Pleas. The Court was crowded with well-dressed men, mostly lawyers. Judge Daly, against the efforts of Hall's counsel, admitted the warrant as evidence, this point being reached after the trial had progressed eight days, four of which were consumed in getting a jury; Mr. Clinton's offering one day; the question whether there ever was a voucher for Garvey's claim, and whether it was stolen, two days; and whether the warrant on which Garvey drew the money can be evidence on this trial one day. Wm. S. Copeland was recalled to the stand, and testified that he could not tell how many Garvey claims he had examined. The Garvey claims which he did examine had all a certificate signed by Hall, Connolly, and Tweed. Mr. Peckham read a message of the Mayor to the Board of Supervisors, dated Aug. 16, 1871, in which the Mayor asserted that the duties of the Board of Audit appointed under the laws of 1870, were simply ministerial. While Mr. Peckham was reading the copy, Mr. Burrill sat reading the original, and the Mayor was busily engaged in taking notes. Mr. Stoughton sat like a Roman Senator, his eyes fixed on the floor, and Messrs. Shafter and Buckley were consulting together, apparently with harsh earnestness. The court-room was crammed with spectators all attentively listening. Peckham reading and casting his eyes around, exclaimed: "Garvey! Andrew J. Garvey!" The Mayor's counsel gazed at each other in astonishment, and the Mayor himself raised his eyes quickly and looked at the witness stand as though he expected a ghost to rise through the floor and occupy the vacant chair. There was a moment of breathless astonishment among the spectators, and then a hum of whispers could be heard. Every one who knew Garvey stared around the room, but no Garvey was to be seen. Suddenly the door of the clerk's office opened, and out stepped the genuine article. Andrew J. Garvey. His towering form was attired in shabby genteel, thread cloth; his hair was much grayer than it used to be in old Tammany times. His face was pale, and his general aspect was that of a broken-down man. He stepped up quickly to the platform, and passed behind the Judges' screen to the witness stand. He looked decidedly seedy as he reported. Captain McCloskey handed him the gilt-edged Bible, which he took with trembling hands. He was then sworn by Judge Daly "to testify to the truth in the case now pending between the People of the State of New York and A. Oakey Hall." Mr. Garvey replied in a clear voice to the question of Mr. Peckham:

"I reside at 51 East Forty-seventh street, and have resided in the City since the 31st of October, 1870. I was sued in December last. I am a builder, formerly plasterer and contractor. I have been engaged in that business since I was 21 years of age. I succeeded my father in the business. I have been in business in this city and all over the country. Am acquainted with defendant, Mayor Hall. Have known him probably for six years. I am acquainted with Mr. William M. Tweed, and have known him for twenty years, I think. I know a Mr. Connolly, probably one year or better.

Q. Did you have business claims against the United States Senate are certainly not as rosy as they were. The bill is daily shoved about for purposes of debate, and ponderous speeches in opposition are being prepared. The speeches cannot injure the bill much of themselves, but the fact that the Senate is disposed to hesitate and procrastinate and to encourage more speechmaking is of itself ominous.

The fierce easterly snow-storm which visited the city yesterday was of quite general prevalence throughout the Northwest. Trains into Chicago, from almost every direction, were seriously delayed by the snow, and reports from Wisconsin indicate the heaviest fall of the season. The storm will be welcome to farmers, and especially so to the lumbermen of Northern Wisconsin, who have been despairing of getting sufficient "freshes" in the rivers to drive their logs.

Secretary Robeson wishes Congress to investigate certain charges which have been circulating in the journals concerning his administration, and a resolution for such an investigation was introduced into the House of Representatives yesterday by Mr. Blair, of Michigan. It was tabled, however, on the ground that the House could not afford to investigate mere newspaper rumors. This action alone ought to be something of a balm to the Secretary's feelings, as indicating that the House, at least, do not believe the stories that are told against him.

Senator Schurz has been made a sort of honorary member of the Arms-Sale Committee,—that is, allowed the privilege of questioning witnesses freely,—and improved that privilege yesterday, to the evident benefit of the investigation. For one thing, he sent Secretary Belknap home to peruse the archives of his Department and ascertain, if possible, how it was that there were large quantities of arms and ammunition delivered to Remington after, as Belknap states, the Department learned that R. was selling arms to agents accordingly exposed intercourse with him.

Walsh, who murdered his wife in a most heinous manner two years ago, has sent a delegation down to "lobby" Governor Palmer for a pardon. This is what was expected when Walsh's sentence was commuted from hanging to imprisonment for life. We think we speak the sentiment of the community when we remark that, if Walsh's original sentence had never been superseded, there would be no objection now to his being pardoned. If he gets out of prison now, it is to be hoped that it will be upon representations less fraudulent and discreditable than those which procured his escape from the halter which he deserved.

Horace Greeley's letter to the Secretary of the National Republican Committee, declining to have his name as one of the Committee named to the call for the Philadelphia Convention, has been published in full in Mr. Greeley's own paper, and proves to be a very cute one. "If," says Greeley, "we have trustworthy assurances of reform from the White House, all right; but I am not inclined to help our Lords and Stockings to another half million of plunder." The case has struck many other staunch old Republicans in the same way. If the *Tribune* philosopher is charged with bolting prematurely the action of the Convention, he will probably reply that his bolting is no more premature than the action, as forestalled by agencies which Mr. Greeley honestly despises.

The leading produce markets were less active yesterday, and irregular, the snow-storm being a cause of quietness in many departments, as it restricted out-of-door operations. Mess pork was dull and 10c lower, closing at $11.75 cash, $11.85 seller April, and $12.05 seller May. Lard was weak at $8.50@8.55 cash, $8.65 seller April, and $8.75 per 100 lbs seller May. Meats were inactive and nominally unchanged. Highwines were steady at 85@85½c per gallon. Flour was dull but steady, except on the lower grades, which were weak. Wheat was quiet but 1c higher, closing at $1.33¾ for cash No. 2; and $1.35¾ seller April. Corn was quiet, but 1c higher, closing at 37½c cash; 38¾ seller April; and 40c seller May. Oats were more active and steady at 30½c cash; 31¼c seller April; and 31½c seller May. Rye was quiet and steady at 71½c for No. 2 cash; and 73c seller April. Barley was weak, and 2c lower, closing at 82c for No. 2 cash or seller April. Dressed hogs were quiet and firm at $5.10@5.12½ per 100 lbs for good frozen lots. Live hogs were quiet and easy, with sales at $4.35@4.50 for medium. Cattle were firmer, without quotable advance. Sales were reported at $4.25@6.60. There was no important change in the sheep market.

The [illegible] of the day in the Federal Senate yesterday was a discussion upon the subject of Civil Service re[illegible] something which promises to last several days, though not to develop, perhaps, as much acerbity of temper as the debate upon the French army sale. The ball was opened by Senator Carpenter moving to substitute for the clause appropriating $50,000 for the purpose of carrying the reform into effect a clause repealing all enactments of Congress which had been directed toward a reform of the Civil Service. Upon a motion of Senator Trumbull, to lay this extraordinary proposition on the table, the following gentlemen, all sound Republicans, except the last three, voted nay: Messrs. Caldwell, Cameron, Carpenter, Chandler, Clayton, Hitchcock, Hamilton (of Texas), Kellogg, Logan, Osborne, Pomeroy, Pool, Ramsey, West, Windom, Blair, Cooper, Sanisbury. We are sorry to perceive that all these sixteen Republicans are among those who are accustomed to vote, through thick and thin, for the Administration, even for whitewashing the most corrupt subordinate official, because the President, or somebody under the President, appointed him. It ill comports with this implicit loyalty to the Administration to go voting against a measure which the Administration has declared to be the very apple of his eye. But perhaps Mr. Carpenter, and Mr. Chandler, and the numerous carpet-baggers who say "nay" in unison with them, know what they are about.

Mr. Logan took occasion to make some very ill-advised remarks, the principal of which was to brand the reform as a "humbug." He declared, however, that he was in favor of reform on general principles. Senator Edmunds propounded to him the same question asked by us yesterday, viz.: what kind of a Civil Service reform he did want, and from Logan's answer it appeared that he had not given so much time to considering the reforms which he does want as those which he does not want. It was put into the mouth of Edmunds, of Vermont, to say some practical, telling things concerning the reform, chiefly in comical ridicule of the motives of the Senators who oppose it. Another speaker on the subject was Sherman, who expressed his contempt for the reform, but could not do so absurd a thing as to withdraw his support from the President after the Senate had encouraged him, by their votes, to undertake the measure. Mr. Sherman gave the Senate to understand that he, too, is in favor of a reform, but not of this or any other particular reform. He might vote for an improvement of service in New York and Washington, but if the President should undertake to disturb things in Ohio (where Sherman's peasonal residence), Sherman thinks the reform would be clear with its own weight." The vote upon the appropriation was not taken.

FOREIGN.

GREAT BRITAIN.

LONDON, March 7.—All the earnests, this morning, approve the results of the Tichborne case. The trial of the claimant on a charge of perjury will take place in April.

Minister Schenck is now visiting Edinburgh. Yesterday he held a reception at one of the hotels, which was largely attended.

The steamships Samaria, Cavalier, and New York have arrived out.

The Board of Directors of the French Atlantic Cable Company yesterday received to lay another cable to America, which will be under the management of the present cable demonstration.

The *Times* makes mention of the friendly tone of the American press in regard England.

An unfounded rumor prevails that the Marquis of Hale and Baron Rivers are bail for the claimant in the Tichborne estate. It is believed, however, that the report is stated, to affect the value of the Tichborne bonds.

The London *Times* in its article, on the Alabama Claims to-day, infers from the admissions made by the press of the United States, that the American people are beginning to see the extravagance of the claim and for the first time appreciate the disposition to withdraw them from their case. The *Times* says if the fifth claim for losses in the transfer of the American commercial marine to the British flag is not abandoned, England will declare its reference to the Geneva Tribunal inadmissible, which course is approved by English lawyers and jurists.

Mr. Fortescue, President of the Board of Trade, announced in the House of Commons to-day that the Government had appointed delegates to the shipping convention with the Government of the United States.

The Queen on the occasion of the Prince of Wales' recovery from typhoid fever has received the honor of Knighthood.

Mr. Coleridge, Solicitor for the defense in the Tichborne case, has received the report that the claimant has secured bail.

EDINBURG, March 7.—A meeting of Scottish Peers was held at Holyrood House to-day, when the Marquis of Queensberry was elected to the House of Lords, as representative Peer of Scotland, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the Earl of Kellie.

LONDON, March 7.—The operatives in the silk factories of Macclesfield, in Staffordshire, to the number of 5,000, have been locked out, for refusing to accept the terms offered them by their masters. Seven-eighths of the hands are idle in consequence of the lock-out.

Fifteen hundred coal miners, of Ashton, in the Lancashire district, have struck for an increase in wages.

In reply to an inquiry of Mr. Kinnaeaird, in the House of Commons to-night, Viscount Enfield, Under Secretary for the Foreign Department, stated that the Government had no knowledge of the reported intention to locate Mormons and that the Pope had made no application to England to place Malta, or any other portion of the British Empire, at his disposal.

LONDON, March 8—3 p. m.—Queen Victoria will leave for Gottinaen the 26th instant, and return on the 29th of April.

The report of the Commission of Inquiry on the Labor Movement in Monmouthshire on the 10th inst. on the intervention of the Admiralty.

The Cambridge boat crew have arrived at Putney and done into the University.

The Oxford men are expected to take up their quarters on the Thames on Saturday.

The Lord Mayor of London, at the close of Commons to-night there was a long debate on the Scotch Education bill, at the close of which the bill was read for a third time.

FRANCE.

PARIS, March 7.—The *Constitutionnel* to-day announces that several changes will shortly be made in the diplomatic service. Among them the Duke De Broglie, the French Ambassador to England, is to be recalled. Gustave and Biron, French Ambassador to Austria, will resign. Count de Jarnac is to be appointed to the vacant post. The *Constitutionnel*, says, has been informed by President Thiers of Count de Jarnac's late Minister of Finance.

It is generally believed that the Government is resolved to oppose before the Assembly the amendment made in committee to the bill for the control of the press.

PARIS, March 7.—A despatch has been received from M. Gontaut-Biron, French Minister at Berlin, announcing that the Emperor William has granted the pardon of the French prisoners still held by the Germans for civil and military offences.

WEST INDIES.

HAVANA, March 7.—A grand ball was given last night by the Spanish naval officers on board the flag-ship Gerona, in honor of Alecia.

KEY WEST, March 7.—The French excitement at Manzanillo among foreigners, owing to the fact that on the occasion of the visit of the Grand Duke Alexis to that place all the foreign consuls were ignored, and were not invited to participate in the processions nor attend the banquet. The excitement was caused by Leon Crespo, principal Alcalde. Orders came from the personal friend against some of the Consuls, and he prevailed. The Consuls declined to ignore the Consul, and all participated. The American Consul was the only one that took the flag, although he was treated with the same disregard as the rest. There are strong rumors of a movement in the interior to declare Manzanillo the President of Cuba. Instead of Cespedes. The Venezuelan General Gordo and Modesto Diaz favor Gomez.

AUSTRALIA.

LONDON, March 7.—A despatch from Melbourne reports that the British sloop-of-war Rosario, Commander Palmer, shelled and destroyed a village inhabited by the murderers of Bishop Patterson.

GERMANY.

KIEL, March 7.—Shocks of an earthquake were felt here and throughout Central Germany, at intervals, during all last night.

BERLIN, March 7.—A Von Arnim has gone to Rome.

A decree has been issued founding a Naval Academy at Kiel.

ITALY.

ROME, March 7.—The King and Queen of Denmark have arrived at Naples.

SPAIN.

MADRID, March 7.—Preparations have been commenced for the Exposition, to be held here in 1873.

MISSOURI.

The Cass County Bond Manipulators Being Gathered In.

ST. LOUIS, March 7.—Ladue and Nichols, of the Cass County bond ring, left for Pleasant Hill yesterday in charge of Sheriff Bryant. James Cline, brother of Senator Cline, who is charged with the missing fifty-three bonds, was arrested to-day at Parsons, Kan., on the border of the Indian Territory, by Sheriff Bryant, and will start for Cass county, Bryant, will stay off at Jefferson City, to procure a requisition from Governor Brown and proceed to Parsons, and bring Cline back to Cass County.

Meeting of the Centennial Commissioners in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, March 6.—The Centennial Commission elected the following officers: President—George Jones, Connecticut; Vice Presidents—Joseph McCulloch, New Jersey; Henry Probasco, Ohio; Wm. M. Byrd, Alabama; J. D. Cox, California; Robert Lowry, Iowa. Temporary Secretary—Louis N. Smith, Philadelphia.

President Hawley named the following gentlemen as members of the Executive Committee: Daniel J. Morrell, Pennsylvania; T. D. Preston, New York; Joseph R. Hawley, Connecticut; Wm. Prescott Smith, Maryland; W. M. Wood, Virginia; James L. Orr, South Carolina, and John A. Stevens, Georgia.

Alternate Sweeny, of West Virginia, offered a resolution, which was adopted, authorizing the President of the Executive Committee to call conference, for the selection of a site for the International Exposition building, and for other purposes, on the 4th of April.

Commissioner Atwood, of Wisconsin, moved that a committee of five be appointed by the President to report to the Commission for further requisite legislation relative to the centennary, and also to urge on the various State Legislatures the necessity of action on the subject of the Commission. Mr. Atwood's motion was adopted, and the meeting adjourned till to-morrow.

The Executive Committee walked over to the members at the Union League. Speeches were made by the President of the Commission and others.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 7.—The Centennial Commission reassembled at noon. The Executive Committee announced the following Committees under the Act: Committee on Foreign Affairs, on Legislation, on Plans and Architecture, on the Opening Services, on Finance, on Transportation, and on Grounds and Buildings.

The following is the Executive Committee, as reported by the President: Daniel J. Morrell, Pennsylvania; John Lowry, New York; George H. Corliss, Rhode Island; Wm. Prescott Smith, Maryland; John Lenox Logan, Georgia, and Chas. Stevens, Iowa. Various invitations were received and accepted, and the Commission adjourned to meet again at 10 a. m. to-morrow at the room of the Centennial Hotel.

South Carolina Finances.

COLUMBIA, March 7.—The validating act has been vetoed by Governor Moses, and the bill will be passed over the veto to-night. It declares distinctly that it will pass the Senate. It declares all State bonds and obligations set forth in the Treasurer's report of Oct. 1, 1871, amounting to $5,500,000, to be legal and valid bonds, for the payment of which the credit and faith of the State are pledged. It also declares that the $2,000,000 in addition to all other taxes, sufficient to pay the interest on the foregoing bonds.

Meeting of Oil Men at Oil City.

OIL CITY, Pa., March 7.—The General Committee to-day appointed by the Petroleum Convention have been in session all day. Two sub-Committees yesterday appointed by it made each a report to-day, which will be presented to the General Committee. These reports provide for the future management of the producing business, and the dissolution of the producers' Association. Some organizations will be completed to-night, and a mass meeting of producers, each township organization to send a delegate, as many as they may designate, and no others. These reports will be submitted to the grand mass meeting of producers which is to take place here to-morrow.

INDIANA.

Railroad Consolidation—Personal.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

INDIANAPOLIS, March 7.—Articles of consolidation of the Lake Erie, Evansville & Southwestern Railway Company of Ohio, and the Lake Erie, Evansville & Southwestern Railway Company of Indiana, were filed yesterday with the Secretary of State. The consolidated capital is $7,000,000, and certificates of stock in the consolidated Company will be issued to stockholders of both the original Companies. The new Board of Directors shall consist of six residents of Ohio or Indiana, and three from other States or countries. The articles of agreement are signed by O. M. Carter, President, and Jno. H. Cochran, Secretary of each Company.

Articles of incorporation of the Kentucky Classical Seminary, of Hendricks, Huntington County, were also filed. The institution is to be under the patronage of the St. Joseph Annual Conference of the Church of the United Brethren in Christ, by whom it is to be endowed to the amount of $50,000. Capt. E. S. Lorell and Rev. Jacob Erb, both of Chicago.

Senator Morton returns to Washington to-morrow. He has collected the facts for his speech upon Indiana's claims for advantages offered by Old State for manufacturing iron.

Editorial Changes—Heavy Snow Storm.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

FORT WAYNE, March 7.—The barn of Maurice Cady was destroyed by fire last night, also the carriage and harness of Cady, a loss of $1,000; insurance, $700. The supposed work of an incendiary.

Professor Lowenstein has resigned his office as editor of the *Volksfreund*, of this city, for the purpose of accepting a like position on the *Volksblatt*, of Cincinnati. It is understood that one of the editors of the latter journal will be his successor.

Since 2 o'clock to-day nearly six inches of snow have fallen, and is still falling. The prospect of the heaviest snow storm during the winter.

THE WEST.

The Utah Constitution Sent to Washington—Pleads Approbation on the Pacific Railroad.

SALT LAKE, March 7.—Messrs. Cannon, Fitch, and Fuller, the Committee appointed by the Constitutional Convention to carry the instrument to Washington, left this morning. They left on the East this morning. A strong Congressional lobby will be maintained, to work the Territory in as a State, if possible, during the present session. There will soon meet to send on men of influence to resist the Mormon scheme, as business interests demand it. The Liberal party is organizing, and the strength is greater.

Colonels Forsyth and Sheridan, of Sheridan's staff, arrived yesterday, from Chicago.

The general impression is that very serious floods are likely to visit the city of the Union Pacific valley, when the warm weather approaches. The snow is very deep in the mountains.

The Storm in Wisconsin.

MADISON, Wis., March 7.—A snow storm began here at daylight, and still continues. More snow has fallen than in the same time during the winter. The wind is very high, and the drifts are considerably, so that the railroads will likely be blocked. Lumbermen will rejoice.

Telegraphic Brevities.

Charles L. Tracy's residence in West Roxbury, Mass., was burned yesterday morning. Loss, $20,000.

—Ex-Senator Richard Yates, who has been dangerously ill for some weeks past at his home in Jacksonville, is now better, and his physician thinks that danger is all over. [Joy.—Ed. Trib.]

—In the first game of chess between the Cincinnati and Cleveland clubs, played by courtesy of the Western Union Telegraph, Cincinnati resigned on the thirty-second move.

—Wm. F. Browne, a Justice of Westchester County, N. Y., has been held to $5,000 bail for trial on charge of appropriating county moneys. It is stated that the Justice is the only man in the county who has been indicted for similar offences.

—A Wilmington, (N. C.) despatch says that it is not known there that the reports of the arrest of Henry Berry Lowery, the notorious swamp outlaw, are unfounded. Additional reports are received to the effect that he was either murdered by his brother, or drowned.

—A detachment of Federal soldiers was sent out from Nashville under the auspices of Supervisor Albright, to arrest moonshiners. Monday after some ten days. They made a raid upon illicit distilleries in Coffee and Lincoln Counties, Tennessee, and upon Coffee County, Ala., breaking up fifteen distilleries, capturing a large amount of property and five prisoners.

—In Boston, yesterday, Richard Barry, John Sheridan, John Harvett, and Michael Shea, boarders with William Hennessey, in Cabot street, were discovered in their sleeping rooms, in the basement, insensible from illuminating coal gas. Barry has since died, and it is doubtful if the others can survive. Barry retired the latest, and before doing so had placed a stove containing burning charcoal.

New Orleans Market.

NEW ORLEANS, March 7.—BREADSTUFFS—Oats scarce, at 65c.

WHISKEY—Dull; rectified, $2 and $1.00.

All quotations nominal.

MONETARY—Sterling, 30; sight par; gold, 1104.

COTTON—Easy; sales, 7,000 bales; good ordinary, 16c; low middling, 17½c; middling, 18½c; receipts, 5,508 bales; exports, Liverpool, 3,775 bales; Coastwise, 1,559; coast, 2,269.

A MAD PAINTER.

Two Murderous Pictures, and an Attempt at Both.

On the wall of one of the rather bald and desolate looking staircases of Bethlem Hospital for the Insane, in London, there hangs a large picture by Dadd, the parricide, formerly an inmate of Bethlehem, but now removed with other criminal patients to Broadmoor. The subject of this painting—the very appropriate story of the Good Samaritan—is treated in a large historical manner. It is a little pale and dull in color, and the figures rather want roundness. In all other respects, says a writer who describes it, it is not unworthy of either Dyce or Herbert. A certain asceticism of style is, I think, never unsuitable to religious art; and that, not unnaturally, results from the figures of Rubens and the sensual show of Titian. The character of this work is so grave and solemn that one feels the painter of it must have been in a serious frame of mind during the thought that the painter was himself a madman, whom good Samaritans had brought within those walls, and, for Christ's sake, had nourished and tended. Still sad-der was it to reflect that a man who had such powers could never again be safely set at liberty.

Dadd killed his father under the most shocking circumstances, and was one of the most dangerous of madmen, being subject to intermittent paroxysms of homicidal mania, during which time his tendency to spill blood, seems filled with an irresistible desire to take life. Even in this picture I felt sure I could detect in one detail a crafty and lurking insanity. In the foreground of the picture, but in a wounded, traveled, half stripped, in the pathetic attitude of the dead Christ in the Pietas of Italian painters. The scene is a parched desert, and the loneliness adds an appropriate mournfulness to the subject. It adds a still greater pathos when we remember that it was in the desert that insanity first seized the artist. Over the wounded man kneels the good Samaritan, who is pouring oil from a flask into a spear-thrust in the sufferer's side. So far so good. The treatment is good, the drawing is sound, the grouping effective; but the whole is marred by what seems to me the one point of insanity. Dadd has made the long neck of the oil flask the exact size and shape of a pistol-barrel. The result of this perversion is, that the good Samaritan's notion of intently pursuing a good work seems, with a wounded man, to be that of loading a loaded pistol straight into his patient's heart; and this grim, sardonic practical joke the madman no doubt chuckled over as his grand idea of how to murder his brother.

This discovery was no mere fancy on my part. I may mention that ten years ago, when I visited Bethlehem, I went to see Dadd at work. Oxford—poor vain creature!—no more insane than the keeper—was in the room, and McNaghten, the murderer of Mr. Drummond. Dadd was then painting another picture—also a desert scene—of an Israelite encampment. It was, I remember, dry and hard, and in color tawny and disagreeable. A very straight palm tree (particularly cut the enormous leaves have a very fine effect) which even a Pre-Raphaelite would have shuddered at. The groups of Israelites were feasibly well arranged, but in the foreground some brown, half naked children were playing. One of them, who held a bowl, was splashing his companions with water. Here the artist's insanity broke out. The water was of a glorious color, and broke in phosphorescent sparkles, like so much scattered quicksilver, over the children upon whom it fell. The picture, wherever the water-drops were, was literally was in this one place, stark-staring, raging mad, and I recoiled from it with a secret horror that I could not altogether conceal. Dadd, I took care to say nothing, for I had no great reliance on the solitary keeper, if a sudden revolt broke out among the maniacs. I hope he did not get to the door with an indecorous haste.

At the time that Dadd's insanity was ripening, and soon after, his return from the East, his friend and fellow-student, Mr. E. M. Ward, now the well-known Royal Academician, used to frequently visit him, to see how his work progressed and to chat over artistic projects. On one occasion, Mr. Ward says years ago told me, before he had any apprehensions that his friend's mind was unbalanced, he was in his room, stooping down in a corner looking over the contents of a portfolio of Oriental sketches. When all at once he is lifted sideways, he sees in a prodigious, Dadd standing towards him with a knife in his hand. Mr. Ward did not start up or utter any cry of alarm, but had the admirable presence of mind to directly say, "Dadd, just run and get me that drawing we left in the other room." Dadd, thrown off his guard, at once laid down the knife taken from the kitchen table, and went for the drawing. During this interval, Mr. Ward slipped quietly out of the house.

On Dadd's arrest, there was found in his desk or portfolio a sketch of portraits of his relations and friends, and round the necks of many of these, including his father and Mr. Ward, the mad artist had as ominous crimson line, showing that he had doomed them to destruction. His mania consisted in a belief that his father and many of those especially dear to him were possessed with devils, and that by killing the friend of them from those terrible tenants. The poor fellow, the fine machinery of whose brain no human workman can restore, still lingers at Bethlehem with death's scenes with the only anodyne that can cure such profound misery as his.

MARRIED.

LOVELL—McLEAN—March 6, by the Rev. E. P. Goodwin, Pastor of First Congregational Church, at 164 West Washington-st., Capt. E. S. Lovell and Miss Ella McLean, both of Chicago.

COLBY—In Liberty, Maine, on the 11th inst., Rufus Colby, aged 94, for fifty years a resident of that place. He leaves a widow of about two years, and the husband of her second spouse ten months.

DIED.

STONE—Monday, March 4, 1872, of small-pox, August Stone, aged 40 years.

ROWLEY—On the 8th inst., Catherine Elizabeth, wife of Rev. Lester Rowley, and daughter of Captain Thomas Carlisle, England.

Funeral notice appears in some copy.

BUTLER—At Morey Hospital, March 6, Mr. Tobias Butler, aged 47.

Funeral from Depot, pittsburgh, at 2 p. m. to-day.

SULLIVAN—On the 8th of March, at her residence, 50 North Union street, Mrs. Sullivan.

Friends and acquaintances are invited to attend the funeral which leaves at 2 o'clock.

CAYLIN—March 7, at 8 a. m., son of George and Ellen Cayln, aged 15 months, at their residence, Lake View.

Funeral Saturday, March 9, at 2 p. m.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

Masonic.

Regular communication of Dearborn Lodge No. 310 A. F. and A. M., will be held in their hall Friday evening, March 8, at 7:30 o'clock. Members and visitors are invited. Work on the M. M. Degree. By order of the W. M.

A. T. LARGE, Secretary.

Masonic.

Ashlar Lodge, No. 308, A. F. & A. M.—A literary and musical entertainment will be given by the members of this Lodge, at Masonic Temple, corner Halsted and Lake streets, on Saturday evening, March 9, to which all brethren are cordially invited. No charge for admission.

C. H. GARDNER, Secty.

Masonic.

Regular Communication of Wm. B. Warren Lodge, No. 338, A. F. & A. M., at Lessing Hall, No. 12 Clinton street, between Lake and Randolph, this evening, at 7½ o'clock, for business. Members requested to be present. By order of the Worshipful Master.

HARRY C. PRATT, Secty.

Masonic.

Corinthian Chapter, No. 43, R. A. M. Special Convocation this (FRIDAY) evening at 7½ o'clock, on the M. Degree.

J. O. BICKERSON, Secty.

CHARM BELLS.

CAUTION!

As we have ascertained that a bogus and inferior imitation of our "Memorial Charm Bells" are being offered to the public, we would ask as a personal favor that all purchasers demand one of our certificates with each bell purchased, and thereby prevent the sale of a fraudulent and worthless article, and protect us in the legitimate manufacture of a valuable souvenir.

H. S. EVERHART & CO.,
310 WABASH-AV.

DESKS AND OFFICE FURNITURE.

SPROTT & PARKER,
Manufacturers and Dealers in
FURNITURE,
151 West Washington-st.
Office Furniture made to order.

NOTICE.—The undersigned have removed to 151 West Washington-st. We have a large stock of Desks and Office Furniture; also elegant Parlor and Chamber Furniture, which we offer at reasonable prices.

SPROTT & PARKER.

WOOL.

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We offer for sale a good assortment of Fine, Medium, and Coarse Wools, both Foreign and Domestic. Also Tub-Washed and Pulled Wools, all at reasonable rates.

J. H. BOWARD & CO.,
Wool Commission Merchants.
Office and Warehouse: Post West Washington-st.

INSURANCE.

All Persons Having Claims Against the

LUMBERMAN'S INS. CO.,

Will please present them at once at the office of the Company, 205 West Monroe-st.

All those who have unadjusted claims already presented will please call at said office without delay.

Those holding unexpired policies are desired to forward same to the Company immediately for cancellation that they may receive their proper per centage of the unearned premium when final settlement of all claims is made. All claims must be presented on or before the 1st day of April, 1872.

T. C. HOAG, President.

Lumberman's Insurance Co.,
OF CHICAGO.

A dividend of 5 per cent will be paid on all adjusted claims against this company on and after the 11th inst., at the office of the Company, 205 West Monroe-st., Chicago.

T. C. HOAG, President.

BUFFALO CITY,
WESTERN,
FIRE AND MARINE.

Adjusted claims in above Companies purchased at highest market price.

H. C. GRANVILLE HAMMOND,
204 Wabash-av.

WANTED.

Adjusted claims in the Firemen's Insurance Company and Republic certificates of indebtedness.

A. G. SLAUGHTER, 239 Wabash-av.

BUSINESS CARDS.

AUCTIONEERS.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

The undersigned have this day formed a copartnership for the purpose of conducting the Auction and Commission Business in this city, under the firm name of ELLISON & POSTAL. Office, 240½ Dearborn-st., 2d floor.

Refer to Col. JOHN A. ELLISON,
Late of the firm of Wm. A. Sumner & Co.
JAMES H. POSTAL,
Late of the firm of J. Postal & Bro.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Mass Meeting

Of all property owners on Arcade-st. Property the 9th of March, will be sold, and not the 8th, as by the Thirty-first and Arcade-sts. at 10 o'clock, by the railroad crossing.

BOARD COMMITTEE.

Important to Builders.

We have on hand a large assortment of 2x14 and 2x12 Long Joists, and Timbers all sizes and lengths.

LOW PRICES.

Cor. Grove and Twenty-second-sts.

THE ANNUAL MEETING

Of the Stockholders of the Richland Tool Building Company will be held at the office of Hon. J. DUNLOP, 70 Wabash-av., on Monday, April 1, 1872, at 2 o'clock p. m.

JOHN H. WARD,
Secretary.

CLOTHING.

1872. WHOLESALE. 1872.

SPRING TRADE.

We are now permanently located in the five-story Stores,

247 & 249 Monroe-st.,
CHICAGO,

Where we are prepared to offer to the trade, on our usual terms, the largest and best stock of

CLOTHING
AND
Furnishing Goods
That we ever manufactured.

HENRY W. KING & CO.

CROCKERY, ETC.

H. H. PITKIN late with Johnson, A Alden.
J. W. BROOKS, Jr., late with Bodley & Tyrrell.

PITKIN & BROOKS,
303 Michigan-av.
Wholesale
Crockery,
OHIO STONE WARE,
Glassware.
Lamps, Kerosene, Chandeliers, and Yellow and Rockingham Ware.

WANTED.

Wanted, this Spring,
10,000 Farmers,

To improve their 200,000 acres of Iowa Railroad Co.'s lands, on long credit, and low prices, and low rates of interest (7 per cent interest). These lands center in the most populous portion of the State. They have been examined by the Chicago & Northwestern and Illinois Central Companies, as well as the great body of land agents, and pronounced the best of the State. Chic. & Pacific Railways, all being adjacent to them, and mainly located.

In the Middle Section of Western Iowa,

Noted for its great fertility and inviting healthfulness (fever and ague being unknown); a finely watered region, with abundance of timber, coal, and stone in all of the State. Advertised timbers are provided with which to show these lands to settlers.

NOW IS THE TIME TO SECURE A HOME AT $4 OR $5 PER ACRE.

In the luxuriant valley of either the Boyer, the Raccoon, or the Des Moines. Engraved sketches can be had at the Chicago Agency.

106 West Randolph-st.,

Or Wells-st. Depot, and at Clinton, Dubuque, or any of the stations on the Railroad. Ask for land guide. It contains maps, and gives prices, terms, locations and descriptions, and how to reach the lands.

JOHN R. CALHOUN, Land Commissioner.
(SAME) Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

We want a Store,
For we must have
MORE ROOM,
For our Blank Book Manufactory and Printing Office.

JOHN H. SMALL & CO.,
STATIONERS,
No. 27 South Canal-st.

WANTED,

STATE LEGISLATURES.

Yesterday's Proceedings in the Illinois General Assembly.

Bill for the Collection of Taxes in Cities Passed in the House.

The Reform School Transfer Bill Passed in the Senate.

The Burnt Records Bill Defeated in the House and Recommitted.

Text of the Congressional Apportionment Bill.

Political Complexion of the Several Districts.

ILLINOIS.

Special Despatch to the Chicago Tribune.

SPRINGFIELD, March 7.—Messrs. Medill, Bross, Charles Randolph, Grant, Elmhurst, and others, were before the House Insurance Committee last night, urging the passage of Dore's Senate bill, with some slight modifications, and were fortunate enough to get the Committee to decide to report it back.

CANAL TOLLS.

Attorney General Bushnell had given an opinion that, under the ordinance of 1787, the State of Illinois can impose no toll or duty upon any boat passing through the lock at Henry, the Illinois River being a navigable highway, on which such tolls cannot be collected. The Supreme Court of Illinois has practically decided to that effect, and, should the matter ever be litigated, the Supreme Court of the United States, it was there the ordinance of 1787 did not apply.

DOWER DOMAIN.

The Supreme Court has decided that the Eminent Domain law applies to dower, following out the decision in Rickert vs. Chicago. It is Eminent Domain, and land is taken for it under the old law, the widow will have to be paid in full therefor, and should still be considered only the legal owner of the damages.

COUNTY SEATS.

The House this morning concurred in the Senate amendment to a number of bills relative to the removal of county seats. Several were opposed to the amendment, but finding that they would be defeated there would be no legislation at all on the subject, and, therefore, accepted the situation.

REVENUE BILL.

The Senate Revenue bill, with amendments, was taken up.

GENERAL INCORPORATION BILL.

When the General Incorporation bill again came up Mr. Sullivan will offer a substitute for the Senate bill, that the Committee, providing that when the act shall be submitted to the voters of any city for adoption or rejection, the question of minority representations in the City Council shall be submitted at the same time, and if a majority of the voters thereon, and shall hold the same, exempt from all county, city, and municipal taxation.

SEC. 3. Whereas by the burning of the United States Post Office, Custom House, and United States Court rooms, in the city of Chicago, an emergency exists requiring this act to take effect immediately, therefore this act shall take effect from and after its passage.

So and the same is hereby amended by adding thereto further sections as follows:

SEC. 4. That in case any street or alley extant by alley running through any block or tract of land so purchased or acquired by said United States Court rooms, in the city of Chicago, as aforesaid for any of the purposes of use, occupancy and enjoyment as aforesaid, all that portion of such street or alley which shall run through or to such block or tract of land, shall, upon the purchase of the same by the United States, or the transfer of the same to the United States, by condemnation or otherwise, for any of the purposes aforesaid, be and the same is hereby vacated and closed, and the lots or tracts of land abutting upon such street or alley shall extend to the centre line thereof, and vest in said United States, and become the property thereof, with full right, power and authority to use, occupy and enjoy the same as its own property in fee, to the same extent as though the same had never been used or occupied as a street or alley; and the said act to which this is an amendment, shall apply to the said portion of such street or alley as if vacated in the manner aforesaid, to the block or tract of land so purchased or to be purchased or condemned for any of the purposes aforesaid.

Detailed Report of Proceedings.

SENATE.

SPRINGFIELD, March 7.

Met at 10 o'clock, A. M.

CLAY COLLEGE.

Mr. EISALL entered a motion to reconsider the vote by which the Senate concurred in the House resolution concerning tolls upon the Illinois and Michigan Canal.

GEOLOGICAL SURVEY.

The report of Professor Worthen in relation to a geological survey was taken up.

Mr. FLAGG sent to the Clerk's desk an extract from The Chicago Tribune, obtained by options of Prof. Worthen in regard to the printing of the survey by the State and the stereotyping of the plates.

Mr. FLAGG moved the following as an amendment to the appropriation for an Assistant Geologist and an artist, was fully discussed, and the bill recommitted.

NEW STATE HOUSE.

Mr. CRAWFORD, from the Committee on Finance, reported back the Senate bill to carry on the work on the State House, with an amendment that no money shall be drawn until April 1, 1873, which was concurred in.

SOLDIERS' ORPHANS' AGENT.

Mr. WHITING reported back the Rogers bill, with amendments, which were concurred in.

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Mr. BOYD, from the Committee on the Judiciary, reported back the bill to appoint a Soldiers' Orphans' Agent, with amendments, which were concurred in.

Mr. MCNULTA moved to amend by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting a substitute, instructing the Trustees of the Soldiers' Orphans, Asylum, to take such action with the property of the Asylum as they deemed necessary, which was tabled for printing.

PENITENTIARY.

Mr. FIERCE, from the Committee on the Penitentiary, made a report accompanied with a trunk full of documents, all of which were laid on the table.

NEW BILLS.

Mr. DORE introduced a bill for the protection of the telegraph.

Mr. LANGLEY introduced a bill to provide for the recording of deeds.

Mr. DORE introduced a bill to provide for the payment of the expenses incurred in the pursuit and apprehension of murderers, horse-thieves, and burglars.

Mr. ALEXANDER introduced a bill to authorize cities, towns, etc., having railroad stock, to vote and transfer the same.

SCHOOL TRUST.

Senate bill 30, to establish a uniform system of distributing the Illinois school fund was, after days, 12, these being an emergency clause in the bill.

AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL SOCIETIES.

Mr. FLAGG introduced a bill to provide for the incorporation of County Agricultural and Mechanical Societies.

REFORM SCHOOL BILL.

The House bill to provide for the transfer of boys in the Chicago Reform school to Pontiac was passed—yeas, 29; nays, none.

Senate bill 242, to provide for the examination and appointment of licensed surveyors, was lost—yeas, 20; nays, 20.

Mr. PIERCE entered a motion to reconsider House bill 299.

CREDIT FONCIER BILL.

(Greenebaum's) was taken up on a third reading, which, being completed, consideration of the bill was postponed.

Mr. UNDERWOOD reviewed the various forms of corporations, the ability to abuse and tempt to abuse them, and the necessity of a proceed to discuss the unconstitutionality of the bill. He argued that the corporation was a vast bank. He considered it a dangerous feature. They were really for use as a circulating medium, and it was in this respect an attempted contravention of the Constitution. He was opposed to the bill. He was not to bear a similitude to a bank bill—but a thin veil to cover the real purpose. He did not like the principle of the bill to take from the people and enjoy the same as its own property in fee, to the same extent as though the same had never been used or occupied as a street or alley; and the said act to which this is an amendment, shall apply to the said portion of such street or alley as if vacated in the manner aforesaid, to the block or tract of land so purchased or to be purchased or condemned for any of the purposes aforesaid.

PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

The Senate amendments to the bill to amend the act for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals were concurred in—yeas, 137; nays, 5.

COUNTY SEAT REMOVALS.

The Senate amendments to the bill relative to the Removal of County Seats, 137; nays, 5.

Mr. RYAN spoke in opposition to some of them.

Mr. SANFORD supported the amendments.

The Senate amendments were adopted, with one exception.

A second vote was taken on the amendment in which the House failed to concur, and it was adopted—yeas, 90; nays, 45.

The House refused to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill making appropriation for certain small expenses of the House. Another vote was taken, resulting, yeas, 118; nays, 15, and the House again refused to concur.

SOLDIERS' ORPHANS' HOME.

The Senate amendments to the bill appropriating for deficiency in the Soldiers' Orphans' Home were concurred in—yeas, 91; nays, 2.

AGRICULTURAL SOCIETIES.

The Senate amendments to the bill allowing agricultural societies to dispose of lands were adopted—yeas, 116.

QUINCY WATER BILL.

The Senate amendments to the Quincy Water bill were concurred in—yeas, 116.

SCHOOL TRANSFER BILL.

The Senate amendments to the bill for transferring children from the Chicago to the Pontiac Reform School was lost—yeas, 111; nays, 1—it being an emergency bill.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

INSURANCE BILLS.

The Insurance Committee reported back Dore's Insurance bill, with amendments, which were adopted, and the bill was ordered to a third reading.

TOWNSHIP INSURANCE COMPANIES.

The bill to amend the act in regard to township insurance companies, extending its provisions to counties not under township organization, was taken up, considered, and read a third time, with amendments.

COLLECTION BILL.

The Senate bill for the collection of taxes in cities was taken up, the amendments of the Revenue Committee were concurred in.

Mr. HALLECK moved to amend by adding to the act should apply to special assessments made prior to 1871, not desiring to do anything in cases which had been settled by the courts.

Mr. CAMPBELL opposed the amendment, since many assessments of late had been appealed, and the amendment would deprive the city of many hundred thousand dollars. The proviso was tabled.

Mr. SPRINGER offered a proviso that the compensation of County Treasurers, Sheriffs, and Collectors should not exceed $5,000. Tabled.

An amendment to strike out the last sections of the bill in relation to redemption was lost.

The bill was read a third time and passed—yeas, 133; nays, 3—Messrs Haines, Manley, and Castle.

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The bill to prevent the sale of drugs to procure criminal abortions were passed—yeas, 114.

The bill for the erection of bridges in one or more towns was passed.

THE RIVER SECONDS BILL

was taken up on a third reading.

Mr. PHELPS moved to recommit to the Committee on Judiciary, with instructions to report back the first, fifth, and 2d, and 4th. Several members of the Committee had thought it very doubtful whether they could report a bill to meet the objections made in Chicago to the bill, but the 11th section allowed all people to file bills against all whom it might concern, and the 12th provided for their trial.

Mr. MORRISON (Monroe) opposed the motion to recommit. The necessity for legislation was unquestioned. The Supreme Court had decided the bill unconstitutional, and had produced a bill, which had been fully considered. He did not think they could put it in a less objectionable shape. They were as capable of acting now as then.

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The motion to recommit was lost, and the bill read a third time.

Mr. HEAFIELD opposed the bill, thinking all the people of Chicago would be taxed without any benefit. He believed the people in Chicago would submit to the payment of a third of the taxes, reported that the Committee of Conference had agreed upon Senate bills passed to authorize the Trustees of the Wisconsin State Hospital for the Insane to sell certain lands; authorizing Boards of Supervisors of counties in this State to cause the record plats to be transcribed and rebound; making it a felony for any officer who gives away or is guilty of misdemeanor in approximating the sum to pay current expenses of the Soldiers' Orphans' Home; and amending the act to revise the General laws of 1871, prohibiting the peddling and sale of nurse preparations. The bill passed the Senate and House, and was ordered to a third reading.

Further consideration of the bill taking the gross receipts of telegraph and express companies was postponed till to-morrow.

Senator Foster, from the majority of the Select Committee of five, made a report in favor of concurring in the passage of Assembly bill No. 7, making House sellers responsible, and Senator Gilbert, minority report against the bill. The report was concurred in—yeas, 21; nays, 20.

Mr. KING (Cook) would move to reconsider the vote by which the bill was lost, and if any agreed—yeas, 20; nays, 18.

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Further consideration of the bill taxing

MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

MONETARY.

THURSDAY EVENING, March 7.

The money markets, both local and general, continue quiet. In this market there is no difficulty to borrow, and the banks are full supply of money, and the effect is to keep the price of railway stocks, Rock Island being the principal feature in the rise.

Gold has been steadily declining, and the premium sold between banks to-day at 30c per thousand. At the counter, bankers sell at 1-10 discount

The PREMIUM ON UNITED STATES BONDS.

The public debt statement for Feb.1 shows a reduction of the 5-20s of 1862 have been $1,040 have been redeemed and deducted. $1,047,150 of the 1862s outstanding, and the amount, as well as on the 5-20s called in, the redemption has been effect to depreciate their market value 1 per cent in gold. Before the closing other 5 per cents were called in, the holders of these bonds were content than the 1867s were worth a fraction more than the 1867s now; now they are worth 1 per cent less; in fact, than the 1868s. Thus the 1881s, quoted at 112 1/2 @ 113, and also called at, say, 110, are worth 112 1/2 @ 113, and, deducting 1 per cent for interest, makes the net price of the 1881s 111 1/2 @ 112 1/2 in gold. The 1867s, quoted the same at nearly 107 1/2 @ 108, are worth only 101 in gold at present currency, while the 1862s are worth somewhere between 107 1/2 @ 108 1/2 in gold. The 1868s still remain at the old figure, and the 10-40s have appreciated 1 per cent. The recent sharp upward movement, after standing still for several months ago, caused a very large portion of the 1867s to be sold, and a portion of them left less than 1868s and 10-40s, and as there can scarcely be a difference in the less experienced buy the holders of the 1867s in consequence of this movement, and as there can scarcely be one-fourth of them having been called in for

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COMMERCIAL.

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	Received.		Shipped.	
	1872.	1871.	1872.	1871.
Flour, bbls	4,162	3,253	3,745	4,127
Wheat, bu	10,113	13,113	8,635	3,330
Corn, bu	53,310	15,250	15,000	11,235
Oats, bu	24,854	8,318	27,860	650
Rye, bu	1,000	700	785	650
Barley, bu	4,363	2,426	9,113	2,000
Grass seed, lbs	12,300	15,656	48,000	13,200
Provisions, lbs	1,200	87,150	797,442	240,000
Beef, bbls	65	13	20	148
Pork, bbls	1,000	51	1,819	248
Lard, lbs	148,500	72,875	658,440	99,000
Tallow, lbs	26,250	11,467		11,750
Hides, No	42,120	99,400	20,000	40,258
Live hogs, No	1,000	600	600	174
Live hogs, No	10,316	4,864	5,738	3,794
Sheep, No	1,771	1,770	1,229	884
Cheese, lbs	1,000	1,000		1,000
Cattle, lbs	112,770	92,270	70,500	$1,220
Whisky, brls	182	266	93	50
Coal, lbs	164,241	95,320	224,000	10,100
Potatoes, bu	460	1,359		1,218
Lumber, M	694	126	407	1,218
Shingles, M	1,000	105	1,000	1,497
Salt, lbs	185		29	152
Wool, lbs	180	280	814	347

Withdrawn yesterday for city consumption: none.

The following grain has been inspected into store up to 10 o'clock this morning: 3 cars wheat; 11 cars corn; 4 cars oats; 4 cars barley. Total, 22 cars, or 41,000 bu.

The produce markets were less active to-day and reversed about the same as yesterday; wheat and corn being higher, other produce lower. The new storm set in too late this morning to interfere with the receipts of to-day's, but we may expect that those of to-morrow will show that a temporary block of business has resulted. The shipping movement to-day was interfered with by the falling snow, and the street markets were much less busy than usual.

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	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Monday	2,415	4,368	1,644
Tuesday	2,211	8,950	1,650
Wednesday	1,754	10,816	1,398
Thursday	2,545	8,546	2,616
Total	8,823	32,145	7,383
Same time last week	8,904	29,434	7,234
Week before last	10,155	45,606	7,473

The following were the shipments:

	Cattle.	Hogs.	Sheep.
Monday	4,191	861	884
Tuesday	783	5,185	1,695
Wednesday	1,229	5,783	449
Thursday			
Total	5,778	13,089	3,326

CATTLE—The weather to-day was about as unfavorable for cattle operations as could well be imagined, a furious snow-storm prevailing from the opening of trade this morning to the close. But notwithstanding this unfavorable circumstance, and the fact that the receipts were somewhat larger than had been looked for, an active demand existed, and prices were firm and a shade higher. Shippers were in large attendance, all the prominent Eastern markets being liberally represented, and, under a healthy competition, the better grades of stock were readily disposed of at satisfactory prices, good to choice qualities commanding 10@c advance on the prices current early in the week. Butchers' stuff, and in fact all descriptions, save, perhaps, rough, thin, mixed lots, found buyers at better prices. The extreme range was $2.00@5.60, though most of the transfers were within the range of $3.75@5.15. There was a good demand for stock steers and all sold at strong prices, or at $3.35@4.00 for common to medium lots averaging from 750 to 900 lbs, and at $4.25@4.60 for fair to prime droves of from 850 to 1,050 lbs. The market closed steady and firm.

Extra—Graded steers, averaging 1,500 lbs and upward..... $6.50@6.75

Choice Butcher—Fat, well-formed steers, averaging 1,350 to 1,450 lbs..... 5.75@6.25

Good Butcher—Well fattened, finely-formed steers, averaging 1,200 to 1,350 lbs..... 5.25@5.50

Fair Grades—Fair steers, in fair flesh, averaging 1,050 to 1,250 lbs..... 4.75@5.00

Medium Class—Medium steers and good cows for city slaughter, averaging 900 to 1,050 lbs..... 3.50@4.75

Common Class—Common cattle in decent flesh, averaging 700 to 1,000 lbs..... 2.50@4.50

Inferior — Light and thin cows and steers..... 2.75@3.25

CATTLE SOLD TO-DAY.

No.	Av.	Price.
48 choice fat steers	1,323	$5.00
11 medium steers	1,179	5.85
18 fat smooth steers	1,301	5.10
21 medium steers	1,194	5.35
15 choice steers	960	4.87½
19 fat pony steers	1,031	5.30
16 rough fleshy steers	1,113	3.25
18 light smooth steers	1,067	4.05
19 fat smooth steers	1,301	5.10
20 stock steers	1,086	4.75
28 butchers' stock	1,000	4.05
24 choice steers	1,182	5.30
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18 choice steers	1,215	5.40
19 choice steers	1,210	5.65½
15 choice steers	1,231	5.80
19 good steers	1,240	5.80
18 choice steers	1,219	5.80
19 choice steers	1,224	5.65
17 good fleshy steers	1,249	5.80
18 medium steers	1,199	5.60
15 good steers	1,448	6.10
18 choice shipping steers	1,365	6.10
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20 smooth fleshy steers	1,118	5.25
18 extra steers	1,353	6.00
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18 choice steers	1,156	5.80
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18 medium steers	1,141	5.10
18 good steers	1,249	5.80
18 butchers' stock	1,046	4.25
18 choice steers	1,480	6.15
18 choice steers	963	4.85
18 stockers	826	4.25
18 cows	930	3.80
18 cows	714	4.25

CATTLE—Very little change was visible in the condition of the hog market. Shippers were out in full force, and, under a good demand, sales were effected at full yesterday's prices, or, at $4.20@4.35 for inferior to common, rough, uneven, coarse, and mixed lots; at $4.40@4.50 for medium, and at $4.50@4.80 for good to extra. About all sold, and the market closed quiet and steady at the quotations given above. Among the reported sales were the following:

HOG SALES TO-DAY.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
81	222	$4.80	49	271	$4.70
56	283	4.75	68	238	4.60
77	178	4.57½	68	238	4.60
82	196	4.40	56	260	4.70
82	196	4.40	79	196	4.50
80	173	4.40	79	196	4.50
83	200	4.55	67	247	4.40
82	200	4.60	80	190	4.40
81	213	4.40	80	190	4.40
159	196	4.50	77	194	4.30
83	211	4.40	82	202	4.40
82	211	4.40	82	202	4.40
80	174	4.40	80	214	4.40
66	228	4.50	124	183	4.35
82	222	4.35	81	211	4.40
82	211	4.40	257	194	4.35
59	208	4.40	67	200	4.55
63	213	4.45	80	200	4.55
62	213	4.45	79	202	4.50
61	246	4.55	40	250	4.50
80	192	4.45	80	214	4.40
50	265	4.55	72	222	4.50
56	258	4.35	111	243	4.50
80	192	4.45	80	214	4.40
50	304	4.55	50	305	4.55
34	300	4.35	42	211	4.40
80	219	4.40	80	234	4.40

SHEEP—Notwithstanding the fact that the weather was extremely unfavorable for trading in this class of stock, there was a fair degree of activity in the market. Buyers seemed disinclined to operate at the advanced prices established yesterday, but, stimulated by the light receipts, holders were firm, and consequently setting prices well up, sales being effected at $4.50@5.00 for common; at $5.50@6.40 for medium to fair, and at $6.50@7.00 for good to choice. We note the following:

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
49	95	$7.00	33	101	$7.12½
107	91	6.50	76	105	7.40
107	91	6.50	76	105	7.40
22	94	7.37½	94	133	7.87½
74	97	6.00	450	95	6.50
94	98	6.25	74	98	6.40
75	73	4.75	81	79	5.00

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

Foreign Markets.

LIVERPOOL, March 7—11:15 a. m.—Flour, 32@ 36s; winter, 11s 8d; No. 1, 11s 3d; No. 2, 11s; white, 11s 9d@12s. Corn, 28s. Pork, 56s. Lard, 44s 6d.

LIVERPOOL, March 7—1:30 p. m.—Breadstuffs unchanged. Lard, 44s

LONDON, March 7—5:00 p. m.—Consols and Money, 92 1/4 account, 92 1/4; Bonds, '62s, 99; '65s, 96 1/2; '67s, 94; 10-40s, 89.

The bullion in the Bank of England has decreased £1,000 during the week.

Tallow, 48s 3d.

FRANKFORT, March 7—Bonds, '62s, 96.

PARIS, March 7—Rentes, 66f 90c.

LIVERPOOL, March 7—Evening.—Cotton dull; middling uplands, 11 1/2@11 3/4; Orleans, 11 1/2@11 3/4. Sales, 15,000 bales; speculation and export, 2,000 bales.

Breadstuffs heavy; red winter wheat, 11s 9d@ 11s 10d. Corn, 28s. Pork, 56s. Lard, 44s.

Cheese, 70s.

Cumberland middles, 31s; short ribs, 32s.

New York Live Stock Market.

NEW YORK, March 7.—Beeves—Receipts, 80 cars, or 1,200, making 1,750 for three days. Market firm but slow, with slightly advanced prices for good cattle. Extreme range, 10 1/2@13c with the bulk of transactions at 11@11 1/2c. Sales include 107 Illinois cattle, av 1,173 cwt, at 11@12c; 50 do, av 1,200 cwt, at 11 1/2@12c; 61 do, av 1,200 cwt, at 11@11 1/2c; 65 do, av 1,200 cwt, at 11@12c; 84 Missouri cattle, av 1,173 cwt, at 11@12c; 104 do, av 1,200 cwt, at 11@11 1/2c; 50 do, av 1,200 cwt, at 11@12c, and 63 mixed Texas and Canada do, av 1,200 cwt, at 10@11@12c.

Sheep—Receipts, 17 cars, or 2,900, making 4,900 since Monday, and several cars more due. Demand good; prices farther advanced; extreme range for common to prime fat sheep, with the bulk of sales at 6@7c. Among sales were two cars of Chicago sheep, av 90 lbs, 9c; one car-do, av 91 lbs, 9c; two cars do, av 94 lbs, 8c; car Indiana, av 95 lbs, 8c.

Hogs—Arrivals 38 cars or 4,800, none selling alive. Yards nearly bare. Market slightly firmer; dressed firm at 6@6 1/2c.

New York Dry Goods Market.

NEW YORK, March 7.—The dry goods business is improving, and the jobbing trade is active and prices firmer for printing cloths, 11@c for fancy prints, 15c for Manchester percales, 20@c for Fabrics, 12@c for orgundies, 12@c for 4-4 and 13@c for 7-8 New York Mills muslins, 20c for Wamsutta do, 16@@ 17c for White Rock do, 14@16c for heavy brown sheetings, 12@13c for Pepperell and 10@11c for lowell corset jeans, 10@c for Anconia shirtings, 10@c for Minot shirtings, 20c for Manchester 38-inch ticks, 12@13c for Amoskeag and wide Osnaburgs; 10@c for Kentucky do, some widths and 10c for 7-8 width; 13@c for Alabama 7-8 jeans; 12@c for Androscoggin 7-8 jeans; 10@c do for 40-inch; 20c for Saconan twills; 13@c for paper cambrics of all leading makes; 20c for Goff's Cambrics; 17@18@c for heavy brown drills; 18@19c for Hamilton stripes, and 11 1/2@12c for Jewett City stripes.

Buffalo Live Stock Market.

BUFFALO, March 7.—Cattle—Receipts, 630; supply since Friday, 299 cars, against 356 last week. Market active and fully as strong as on Wednesday. Sales of 123 Illinois steers, 1,126 to 1,420 lbs, at $5.75@6.75; 18 Ohio steckers, 1,002 lbs, $5.37½; 102 Missouri steers, 1,127 to 1,155 lbs, $5.40; 194 Canada steers, 1,000 to 1,400 lbs, $4.75@4.90; 103 Kansas steers, 1,203 lbs, $5.65.

Sheep—Receipts, 2,800. Market firm. Sales of 270 Canada, 83 lbs, $6.12½; 870 Ohio, 70 to 90 lbs, $6.00@6.00.

Hogs—Receipts, 835. Market quiet. Sales for local trade only, $4.85@4.90 asked for medium shipping.

The Produce Markets.

MILWAUKEE.

MILWAUKEE, March 7.—BREADSTUFFS—Flour dull and unchanged. Wheat firm; No. 1, $1.18; No. 2, $1.04. Oats steady; No. 1, 31c. Corn higher; No. 2, 35c. Rye firm; No. 1, 70c. Barley dull and lower; No. 2, 69c.

PROVISIONS—Pork dull and nominal at $12.00.

BUFFALO.

BUFFALO, March 7.—BREADSTUFFS—Prices nominally unchanged, with little doing. Wheat—No. 1 white Canada, 1 car at 90c in Niagara Elevator; 4 cars on track at 88c

NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, March 7.—COTTON—Less active; middling upland, 23c.

BREADSTUFFS—Flour dull and heavy; receipts, 6,000 bbls; superfine Western and State, $6.90@7.35; common to good extra, $6.45@6.75; good to choice, $6.80@7.40; white wheat, Western flour, $7.50@8.00; extra do, $8.00@8.75; extra St. Louis, $6

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THE ERIE INFAMY.

The present New York Legislature was elected on the special issue of Honesty vs. Corruption, and the country and the world naturally look to it to mete out prompt justice to the arrowing scoundrels of Erie. Down to the present moment, the Committees having this business in charge, and the Legislature itself, seem intently studying how not to do the chief thing they were chosen to do. They seem disposed to see if the public will let them off on a mere repeal of the Erie Classification act, with a proviso that Gould and his present compeers shall serve out the full terms which they obtained by means of that act, without any assent of the stockholders. This would be a most lame and impotent conclusion for the eloquent and magnificent Reform party of the last election in New York to come to! If this be done, let them never again write Honesty upon their banners. Let them rather reverse their standards, and evacuate the Capitol to the tune of the Rogue's March.

This Erie stench has been the great American nuisance ever since the abolition of slavery. It is a crime of colossal magnitude and national importance. It is not merely the stealing a railroad worth fifty millions of dollars, but it is the deeper and more damning infamy of legalizing every step in the theft, and condoning with every thief in advance, by the sheer brute power of the State of New York, employed without conscience, and perverted to a purpose and use that render the Empire State itself an accessory to robbery. Neither the professed Reformers nor the Republican party of New York can afford to take this position. They cannot afford to break the jimmy by which the burglar enters, and guarantee the burglar peaceable possession of the premises.

The real hitch in this seething Erie corruption at present is, that Gould's agents have scared the members of the Legislature into the notion that the tier of counties along the line of the Erie Road desire the continuance of the Gould clique in power, on the ground that it is better for *them* that the earnings of the road should be spent along the line of the road, in the furnaces, rolling-mills, mines, branch-roads, car-shops, and other jobs which are run by the ring for their own profit, than that it should be sent to England in the form of dividends on the stock. "Consarn'de," they say, "that five-eighths of the stock is owned in England; is it not plain that those five-eighths are in favor of withdrawing all the profits of the road and dividing them among the stockholders; while Gould is in favor of distributing them among us, in the form of contracts, supplies, and wages? Do we gain nothing when Gould puts a new slate roof, three times a year, on the depot at Hornellsville? His profit is largest, because he owns the quarry. But we all get the chips and orumbs." Gould has had mass meetings held in Elmira and other points, where portions of the Erie stealings have been disbursed, and at these meetings the people have been told that, if the British stockholders come into power, their rolling-mills, furnaces, mines, and shops will be closed, their thousands of workmen turned out of employment, the road will be run to pay tribute to John Bull, its character will run down, and the prosperity of towns on its route will be blighted. Not content with this, Gould has prepared a bill, which proposes to enact that the road shall pass into the control of the Supervisors of the counties through which it passes. This "generosity," in giving away the property of other people, is received with as many plaudits as Mark Antony's announcement to the Roman mob that the dead Cæsar had left them each a legacy. By these and other means, petitions from the people on the line of the road, favoring the thieves, have been sent into the Legislature in a manner to make it appear that all that section has been debauched by the small bribery that Gould has practised on it, and that the very people of New York are anxious to take moral rank with Fisk, except that they would sell their reputations at the small rate of about sixpence a head.

Until the same system which has debauched the Bar, the Referees, the Courts, and Legislatures, can also succeed with the yeomanry of New York, whom we have been accustomed to call honest, then, indeed, has corruption become more deep-seated and formidable than we had supposed. If the politicians of the New York Legislature, and especially those living in the southern tier of counties, really believe their constituencies have been bought up by Erie money to favor Gould for the pittance they can make out of him, it is idle to expect they will vindicate the rights of the stockholders, the cause of honesty, and the American name abroad. As the stream never rises higher than its source, so the politician never gets above his constituency if he can help it.

We do not yet believe, however, that so large a constituency can be bribed with so small a price. The stockholders, if they should come into power, would expend along the line of the road all the money necessary to run it to the best advantage. The Erie ring certainly have selfishness enough to steal whatever is not so required. But the spectacle of an attempt to bribe a constituency—to debauch a whole people—is so marvellous in its effrontery that, if the moral and business aspects of this question were fairly laid before any portion of the people of New York, they would reject it with indignation as something akin to repudiation of the National debt.

We have numerous railroads in Illinois, of whose stock a larger proportion is held abroad than of the Erie. But no attempt has ever been made to steal them and distribute their revenues among Vermont pedlers, ballet prostitutes, debauched legislators, corrupt Courts, or even "among the people along the line." There are honest people enough in New York to put an end to this Erie nuisance, and the whole country has a direct and powerful interest in seeing it done. But, apparently, the present New York Legislature does not point that way.

The Springfield (Mass.) *Republican*, although occupying a geographical place midway between the journals of New York and Boston, and, necessarily, having to contend against both, has made itself a power in the journalism, not only of New England, but of the whole country. Mr. Samuel Bowles, its accomplished editor, has conducted it with such rare ability that he has not only made his paper an excellent family journal, a first-class medium for advertising, and a political power which is felt everywhere, but he has boldly entered into competition with the great dailies of New York and Boston in the matter of news, and so successfully that his paper is no longer simply the medium of news for the interior, but contests the ground for superiority in the very cities where those dailies are published. The Springfield *Republican* is now one of the few really great papers of the United States, and exercises a widespread influence by its fearless expression of opinion, its admirable correspondence, its excellent summaries of news, and the high tone of its miscellanies and literary criticisms. Its growth has been remarkable, and, indeed, unexampled, in the records of what we may call interior journals. The influence of interior journals is usually local, but the influence of the *Republican* is not confined to Western Massachusetts,—nor even to New England,—but extends to every part of the United States where New England has penetrated. Its position in journalism is well stated in its own prospectus:

> To be, in short, a newspaper that shall be prompt and full in passing history, and, at the same time, an incentive to the noblest thought and the most earnest action in politics in philanthropy, and in society, and a pure minister to the entertainment and instruction of all personal and domestic life,—this is the idea and the effort of the *Republican*. The means it adopts for these ends are simple, rather than sensational, but they embrace the best instrumentalities in journalism. It makes no appeal to the public ear with high-sounding names or glittering specialties; while it declines to rob one subscriber of any share of his money to buy another with strawberry vines or sewing machines; but it is content to be judged by the results of its intelligent and conscientious integrity, and the steady character that time shall bring to it.

The *Republican* has always come up to this high standard of journalism, and the result is manifested in an increase of patronage, and a steady growth which has at last compelled its proprietor to enlarge his facilities, in order to meet both the subscription and advertising patronage. It is now an eight-page, six-column daily, printed upon a new four-cylinder press, and has recently come out in an entirely new and bright dress. We congratulate Mr. Bowles upon the success of his paper, which he so well deserves.

FRED. HECKER AND THE TEMPERANCE LAW.

The new Temperance law, or the act of the Legislature regulating the sale of intoxicating liquors in this State, will go into operation on the 1st of July next. The law met with but little opposition in the Legislature, and has been accepted by the people generally as a practical measure to break up the worst abuses attending the liquor traffic. There has been a somewhat spasmodic opposition in certain parts of the State, especially among persons of German birth. The reasons for this opposition are given in detail in the letter from Colonel Fred. Hecker, which we print in THE TRIBUNE.

Mr. Hecker assumes that the design to correct and prevent abuses is not the real object of the bill, but that the true purpose is to enable a fanatical minority to subdue the majority, and enable temperance societies to destroy various branches of industry. In other words, it is a bill to prohibit the manufacture, sale, and use of intoxicating liquor. He enumerates, among the objections to the bill, that it creates a monopoly against the poor; that it will operate directly against farmers, laborers, and tradesmen; that it is immoral, in that it makes vice a source of income, encourages perjury, and stifles charity; brings the public authorities into contempt; violates the right of property, and promotes drunkenness and vice. In support of these several allegations, Mr. Hecker makes, probably, the best argument that the case admits of; but, when examined without passion, it will be found to have little force. The point that a man, to keep a retail liquor establishment, must give a bond in the sum of $3,000, conditioned to the faithful compliance with the law and the payment of all penalties, is an unheard-of oppression, is extremely far-fetched. It is the law now, and has been always, in many parts of this country and Europe, that no person shall have a license to keep a tavern, lodging-house, or drinking establishment without giving security for the good order and behavior of the same, and as a guarantee that the penalties for violations of the law shall be paid. It is a right that society exercises for its own protection. It is no more an oppression or a discrimination against the poor than is the power everywhere exercised to demand a license fee. The license fee is a considerable tax, which hundreds of persons cannot afford to pay, and the argument that the bond is oppressive, when carried out, would equally demand the repeal of any charge for license. Men engage, in business subject to all the circumstances which surround it. The man who proposes to keep a saloon does so for the profit it will bring him, and not for any public benefit: there is no law to compel him to keep a saloon, and, if he cannot get security to keep an orderly house and to comply with the laws, he must engage in some other business which his circumstances will permit. He is no worse off than the man who would like to run a flour-mill, or a saw-mill, or a railroad, or a steamboat, but is unable to do so for the want of means or the want of credit. The principal disorders of every large city proceed from the saloons or drinking-houses where persons of vicious propensities congregate, and where they obtain strong drink. Drinking-houses have been in all times and climes the harbors and meeting-places of the dishonest and turbulent. Society in every land has had to enact police laws for the government and regulation of these establishments, and the objection that this law requires a man to give bond that he will not keep a disorderly house, will not sell liquor to children, and will not further intoxicate men already drunk, is an objection which goes to the whole power and justice of laws for the suppression and prevention of disorder and indecency. The enforcement of this law in this city will not close one saloon which might not be closed with benefit to the public. It will close every house where liquor is sold to boys and women, and where women are kept to entice boys and drunken men to spend money for strong drink. The keepers of saloons who depend on no such patronage for support will, as a body, support the law, which will, by preventing disorders, remove from the general business much of the odium which now belongs to it. This law relates to the sale of liquor at retail alone; if the farmer peddles his wine and cider out by the glass, he becomes a retailer, and must have a license; otherwise the law does not reach him or any other manufacturer.

Colonel Hecker assumes that, if the number of saloons shall be reduced to "a few decent and respectable" ones, the retail prices of drinks will be advanced from 300 to 500 per cent, and the exhausted and weary laborer be deprived of the means of refreshing himself, or be driven to the alternative of using water! When the time shall come that a man shall be unable to conveniently get a drink of beer in Chicago for the want of places where it is sold, we shall be in favor of amending this law.

We think it is safe to assume that the law will hardly so interfere in any way with the consumption of liquor that it will destroy the capital now employed in the production of "grapes, oats, corn, hemp, hops, rosin, and pitch," though it may possibly reduce the business done at the Police Courts. We do not think that the consumption of these commodities will be so diminished that the tax now paid on them will be transferred to the "poorer classes;" but, under Colonel Hecker's assumption that the "poorer classes" do all the drinking, it follows that they now pay all the taxes collected of the brewers.

Colonel Hecker's objections to the law, on moral and religious grounds, are rather extravagantly stated. All human rights are held subordinate to the rule that they shall not infringe other rights. Though the Bible does say, "Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts," the precept cannot be said to apply to the habitual visitors of saloons. It did not refer to those whose danger of perishing for want of a drink is chronic. The law simply provides that when a saloon-keeper, in the exercise of his franchise to sell liquor, sells the same to any person who is thereby made drunk, and sustains an injury to himself or family, the persons sustaining the loss may have a remedy against the saloon-keeper for the damage sustained. Colonel Hecker's assertion regarding the moral degradation of a wife and mother suing a saloon-keeper for making her son or husband drunk, is not warranted and will be rejected by public opinion. Instead of the case he puts, the parallel which the public generally would put is, that the man who, for gain, plies another person with liquor until he becomes drunk, incapacitated for business, and a disgrace to himself, his family, and society, ought to be as liable for the injuries resulting therefrom as the man who, for gain, would inveigle a wife or daughter into degradation.

The point that Colonel Hecker makes against that clause of the law which declares that a judgment rendered against a saloon-keeper shall be a lien on the real estate which he occupies,—that is, that it shall be a judgment against the landlord,—has more force, in our opinion, than any other part of his argument. We doubt whether it is competent for the Legislature to create liens on real estate in this manner. We do not make landlords responsible for murders committed on their premises when not committed by them, nor for fires starting on their premises when not kindled by them. The Wisconsin Legislature has stricken this clause out of the bill now pending before that body, and we think that it would have been well if it had been omitted from ours. If it is, as Colonel Hecker thinks (and as we are inclined to agree), a stretch of Legislative authority, the Courts will so determine in due time.

A HARD CASE.

Senators Pomeroy and Caldwell, the subjects of the recent Kansas bribery investigation, are certainly in an unfortunate predicament, and one which calls for the commiseration of all just men. They are lustily clamoring for a certified copy of the testimony, that they may bring it before Congress and explain it away, show that they are honest, and that they have never been bribed anybody. Like Cæsar's wife, they would be beyond suspicion; but certain evil-minded persons at Topeka seem determined that they shall remain under suspicion. The more loudly they call for the records against them, the more pertinaciously these wicked Topekans conceal them. It was cruel enough that their enemies should fasten such a stigma upon them, but it is the refinement of cruelty itself that their own friends, by withholding the testimony, should refuse to enable them to disprove the charges. If the spectacle of a just man struggling with adversity excites the compassion of the gods, what must be their feelings at the spectacle of two just men struggling with adversity, and their own friends, heedless of their cries for help, only driving the iron farther into the flesh?

There is evidently a break in the communications between Washington and Topeka which needs immediate repair, for at present Messrs. Caldwell and Pomeroy are pulling one way, and their Kansas friends another. As long as this lasts, they never will get out of the cloud which envelops them. A story often repeated at last becomes a matter of fixed belief; and, if their Kansas friends do not soon allow them to open their mouths in their own behalf, people will not only think, but actually believe, that they were guilty of all that is charged against them. It appears that, in response to the appeal of the Senators under suspicion to have a certified copy of the testimony and the report against them sent to the Vice President, the State Senate adopted a resolution simply ordering the *testimony* to be sent, without any reference to the report. The House then refused to concur in the resolution, and the Senate refused to recede. The House then passed a resolution of its own to send on the testimony, and the Senate then receded from its position, whereupon the House rescinded its action. After playing battledoor and shuttlecock with Messrs. Pomeroy and Caldwell for several days longer, the resolution was at last passed, instructing the Secretary of State to forward the testimony to the Vice President. But now it appears that the original resolution directing the testimony to be sent is not on the journals of either house. Consequently, no certified copy has ever been made to the Secretary of State by the Clerk of either house. If any copy is sent, it will be a printed copy, and the testimony will not be printed until the last of March. It is further intimated that if greenbacks are worth their face in Topeka it will never be sent. As there is a very general opinion abroad that legal-tender notes are worth par in Kansas, we do not see any chance for Messrs. Caldwell and Pomeroy to vindicate themselves. With their enemies vigorously pressing charges against them, and with their own friends careless to their appeals for help, and heedless of their expostulations, their prospect is indeed a gloomy one.

In the House debate of Wednesday, on the Deficiency Appropriation bill, Mr. Dawes tried to tack on an amendment, which was undesirable in itself, and had nothing whatever to do with the main bill. Stripped of its verbiage, the amendment simply declared that, whenever a laborer or mechanic worked eight hours for the United States, a paternal Government should pay him for ten hours. The proposition is as indefensible as it would be to compel every laborer or mechanic who bought eight loaves of bread to pay for ten loaves. The long debate that ensued is not creditable to the intelligence of the House. It was reserved for Mr. Farnsworth, of this State, to kill the proposed amendment, by moving a proviso that contained the whole matter in a nutshell. The proviso was, that laboring men in the United States who worked ten hours should not be taxed to pay the unearned wages of those Government employes who worked only eight hours. The humor of the motion carried the day, and an absurdity was killed by a laugh.

Among the many happy circumstances which attend the people of the United States is the fact that there is always somebody on the other side of the water, in an unofficial position, who fancies that he is qualified to inform foreign Governments concerning the state of public opinion in the United States. A notable case of this kind is that of Mr. George W. Smalley, who is the London correspondent of the New York *Tribune*. This gentleman has presented himself to the English people as the expounder of the Treaty of Washington, and, not content with telling the English Government all he knows about that treaty, and assuring them that Mr. Cushing and Mr. Sumner had told him that they agreed with him, he demonstrates to his own satisfaction that Mr. Gladstone, and the British Government generally, are lamentably ignorant upon the subject. This may all be true; but, as interpretations of public opinion in this country, Mr. Smalley's statements are, in our judgment, highly delusive.

It is strange that the usefulness of steam-plows has not been more generally admitted in this country. It would seem that our enterprising agricultural population ought long since to have perfected some machine of this sort. But even in our large farms, where the fastest and strongest of steam-plows could be employed to such advantage, labor and time are still expended in steadfast adherence to the old style of work. The many failures of pretentious models have no doubt tended had much to do with prejudicing the agricultural mind, but prejudice may last too long, and it is high time that in this case it should yield. The first even moderately successful steam plow was made in England in 1858. It was an adaptation of the plans of John Fowler, who first thought of such a possibility, and spent a long life and $350,000 in vain attempts to realize his idea. Within the last six or eight years steam culture has steadily grown in efficiency and in favor. England keeps 1,200 men busy in manufacturing the machines. Individuals and companies keep 500 plows on hand for hire. There is a steady demand for them, and steam-plowed fields are said to yield very large returns. Soot and salt are in many parts attending their steam culture greatly, and the progressive Pachas of Egypt has 600 of these plows. No finer field for their peculiar powers than our Western prairie, can be found. If they can have a fair trial here, our already immense grain crops ought to be greatly increased, and the price of our food diminished in almost a corresponding degree.

Despatches in yesterday's TRIBUNE report the action of the Legislature and the people of Indiana in relation to the dam across the Calumet, near Blue Island. They claim that the dam should come down, and, as the claim is entirely just, our Legislature or the Canal Commissioners should at once abate the nuisance. The fact that some one has leased some or all of the water-power from the old Canal Trustees, does not in the least invalidate the claim of Indiana. They never had a right to make a lease extend beyond the time when it was agreed that the dam should be removed. The grant by Indiana to the State of Illinois, of the right to flood large tracts of territory in two of its counties, was a courtesy on the part of the former State; and now that the canal is fed from the lake, and the Calumet is no longer needed as a *feeder* to keep up the dam to the great injury of Indiana is both wanton in gratitude and gross injustice to our sister State. If the owners of the mill in question have, by a mistake or oversight of the Canal Trustees, acquired any valid claim to damages if the nuisance be removed, let those damages be honestly adjusted and paid; but, in any event, let the faith of Illinois be vindicated by at once according to Indiana all her rights. A joint resolution passed by the Legislature, instructing the Canal Commissioners to carry out the law and remove the nuisance, would be a proper recognition of our obligations to Indiana, for allowing the dam to remain several years beyond the time when Iowas to have been removed.

The last annual report of the Pennsylvania Coal Mine Inspectors has in it a ghastly page of the accidents and deaths of miners in the year 1871. The various disasters wounded 629 men and killed 291, who left behind them 202 widows and nearly 600 children. It is estimated that one-third of the killed met their death from the lack of secondary shafts into mines; one-third from the explosion of gases; one-sixth from defective roofs; and the remaining one-sixth from unavoidable accidents or their own folly. It appears, then, that the criminal carelessness of employers murdered 310 employes last year. The laws are admirable; every precaution is taken; it is ordered that all mines shall have a second opening, and that an experienced man shall examine them every morning, before the workmen enter. These laws appear on the statute-books, but nowhere else. We now and then punish a man whose negligence sends a railroad train or a ferry-boat to destruction, but year after year the owners of these mines barter human life for money, and go scot free. In Schuylkill County, every fifty tons of coal costs a life. On the other hand, in Columbia County, the laws are enforced, and half a million of tons of coal were mined there last year, in the production of which one man was killed and two wounded. The sharp contrast between Columbia and Schuylkill shows the efficacy of the laws and the crime of neglect to enforce them.

The different way in which different people manage to see the same thing is well exemplified by a recent order of the Sublime Porte and its results. A spasm of morality seized upon the Turkish Government, and, before it recovered from the attack, it had decreed the suppression of all improper illustrated works. So far, so good. Unfortunately, the editor neglected to specify what particular books were to be sacrificed, and so gave the local authorities full discretion. For some time the American missionaries have been circulating among the children of the true believers many small school-books with illustrations, which are, of course, the most harmless imaginable. The true believers saw their chance and improved it. The edict for the suppression of improper works was used to justify the seizure and destruction of these school-books. The motive of the Sultan was, however, an exceedingly good one, and there can be no doubt that he is sincerely desirous of benefiting his country. But, if money is the sinews of internal improvement, we fear that Turkey will perforce go unimproved. The state of her credit is apparent by the conditions of the loan she has lately obtained from the Austro-Hungarian Bank. This corporation wrings 13 per cent interest from her, and laid an additional tax of 1 per cent as a commission for negotiating the loan with itself.

THE NORTHWEST.

ILLINOIS.

Silas Bailey, of Cherry Point, has failed, his liabilities being estimated at $40,000.

—There are at the present date seventy religious societies in Kane County, and sixty-four church edifices, erected at a cost of $475,000, with a capacity of seating 28,000 people.

—The house-moving season has set in with unprecedented violence at Peoria, and domiciles in various parts of the city are getting up on stilts preparatory to camping out on the streets for a few weeks.

—Mrs. Weed, grandmother of Judge Heaton, of Dixon, entered her 104th year on the 21st ult., in good health. She has seen descendants to the fifth generation.

—The Hon. Aaron Shaw is very low with small pox, at his residence in Olney. At latest advices there were hopes of his recovery, although his life had been dispaired of on two occasions previously.

—John Whitsitt, of Pre emption, has bought of Messrs. Mowry & Hawkins, of Genesco, a red cow, English Durham, weight 2,540 pounds.

IOWA.

Deacon Elias Gilbert, born in New York in 1777, died at Gilbertsville last week.

—The members of the First Baptist Church, of Keokuk, subscribed, last Sunday, $6,180 to pay the church debt.

—Columbus City has subscribed $200 toward a brass band, and is now advertising for a brick yard.

—The estimated cost of the new capitol of Iowa is $1,383,057.60.

—Mr. J. D. Budd walked, the other morning, from Malsea to Muscatine—a distance of 18 miles—to pay his taxes, and returned the same way in the afternoon. He is over 70 years old.

—Edward Ricker, of Davenport, died at Grinnell on Saturday last.

—The legal fraternity of Dubuque are signing a petition to the Iowa delegation in Congress, asking them to use their influence to secure a clerkship in some of the departments at Washington for the wife of Judge Barker.

WISCONSIN.

A Literary Society and Library Association has been formed at West Salem, and some $500 raised for the purchase of a library.

—A single case of small-pox at Wausau has cost the village authorities upwards of $900.

—The Manitowoc *Pilot* announces the death in that city of Christopher Columbus Sanborn. The deceased, the father of ex-Governor Ed. Solomon, of New York, General Fred Solomon, and Colonel Eberhard Solomon, of Missouri, and Herman Solomon and Mr. Rudolph Solomon, of Wisconsin, came to the State in 1855, with his wife, who has preceded him to the better land but a few months. He went through all the principal wars against Napoleon I, distinguished himself repeatedly, and was twice decorated, first with the Iron Cross of Prussia and with the Russian Cross of St. George.

INDIANA.

A coal-mining company is being organized at Mt. Vernon.

—Four students of Hanover College, three of whom were members of the Senior class, were expelled from the college last Thursday.

—An absent-minded Laporte clergyman forgot his engagement to marry a couple until about twenty-three hours after the time appointed for the wedding.

MICHIGAN.

J. C. Deyo, of Jackson, has sold to Charles M. Reed, of Erie, Pa., a pair of bay clipped horses for $4,500.

—An addition of several hundred acres is proposed to be made to the corporate limits of Holland City.

—Gilmore, the Boston Jubilee man, has tendered to F. V. Streeter, of Kalamazoo, the appointment of musical director of the musical societies of Western Michigan which are to participate in the "World's Peace Jubilee" in Boston next June.

—Messrs. Daxter & Noble and P. H. Head, the latter gentleman of Chicago, have entered into a copartnership to erect a blast furnace at Elk Rapids. The coal and iron to be consumed are said to be in the spring, and the work pushed forward during the summer so as to be ready to go into blast in the fall or early winter.

—The logs put in on the Cass River the present season foot up 128,380,000 feet.

MINNESOTA.

Bishop Whipple is making an effort to raise $20,000 for the purpose of building a new Diocesan Hall at Faribault. The Hon. H. T. Welles, of Minneapolis, heads the list with a subscription of $5,000, and Lorenzo Allis, of St. Paul, comes next, subscribing $2,000.

—The trial of William Hicks, at Wabasha, for the murder of a man named Ed. Elliott, was closed Wednesday afternoon week; after an absence of three hours, the jury returned a verdict of murder in the first degree.

PERSONAL.

—The London *Court Journal* says Mlle. Nilsson has made $200,000 in the American cities.

—Prince Maximilian Splanger received on Saturday last the remaining half of the $2 more sent to the conscience fund from Londonderry.

—Samuel Tuthill, of Northville, L. I., owns and occupies the farm which his father, grand-father, great-grand father, and great-great-grandfather owned successively; he being the fifth generation upon the place.

—The second wife of ex-President Tyler is still a very beautiful woman, and of youthful appearance.

—A resident of Denton's Mills, Mich., arrested by a policeman in Detroit two years since, as a deserter, made his appearance in that city on Monday, having served out his original term of enlistment, with one cent in his pocket-book, and was presented with a dinner by his old friend of the police force.

—The late Nathaniel Stevens of Canaan, N. H., placed on record the fact that Major Andre, on being taken to headquarters after his capture, remarked: "When I was a boy in England, an old woman told my fortune, and she said I should end my days on the gallows. I don't know but I am coming to that, after all."

—A Brooklyn policeman last year profited to the extent of $1,800 by being a silent partner in a gambling establishment.

—Scottish papers announce the death of Lieutenant Colonel F. Alison, a younger son of Sir Archibald, the historian. He had been on half-pay since 1862, for wounds received at Lucknow, and had received the Crimean medal and clasps the Turkish medal, and the Indian mutiny medal and two clasps.

—Horace King, colored, was the successful bidder for building the bridge across the Warrior River, at Tuscaloosa, Ala., at $14,000.

—Henry C. Bowen has purchased the woods and a large area of land bordering on Woodstock Lake, Conn., and will create a park.

—Joaquin Miller says of Queen Victoria: "In Whitehall I first saw the Queen of England, a sad and silent woman, whose virtues, charities and simplicity have challenged the admiration of the world; a woman who has turned from the allurements of courts to educate her own children; a woman always clad in uncompromising black. She never wears hoops, nor waterfalls, nor false hair. I think she deserves a crown for this, if nothing more."

—The King of Italy has conferred upon Mr. Edward Whymper the decoration of Chevalier of the Order of St. Maurice et Lazare, in recognition of the value of his recently published work upon the Alps.

—Edward J. Roye, ex-President of Liberia, was thirty years ago a barber in Terre Haute, Ind. He was as black as the ace of spades, as sharp as his keenest razor, talked Cæsar's Commentaries to his patrons, and appeared to enjoy his superiority over the great majority of his race.

—The Philadelphia *Inquirer* says: "We have no doubt that the sons of Dr. David Jayne, who succeeded him in business, and who partake of his well-known public spirit and enterprise, will at once proceed to rebuild upon the ruins, and that as soon as practicable, Jayne's granite building will once more be the finest and most imposing edifice in the country."

—Mazzini is in Geneva, where he may be seen on the streets in fine weather. His complexion is pallid, his carriage stooping, and he supports himself with a substantial walking-stick.

—Jacob Wilhartz, a middle-aged German of Louisville, resides over his furnishing store on Portland avenue, and varies the monotony of business by taking naps extending from four to sixteen days. No one but the landlord disturbs him.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Raleigh, N. C., is to have a paper entitled *We Know*.

—The Trustees of the Union Benevolent Association of Washington some time ago purchased a site for a cemetery, and it is now ready for use. The plat contains about seven acres, and is located on Rock Creek, a short distance beyond the Boundary, and is easily accessible by Fourteenth, Sixteenth, and Twentieth streets. A substantial vault has been completed, and other improvements made. The bodies interred in the old burying-ground on Twelfth street will be removed at an early day, and the place sold.

—The beef and mutton trade at Portage, Wis., is a little off at this time, while the fancy mackerel and gout-producing dried red herring are high and dry in public favor.

—The first case in Kansas under the new liquor law is reported from Delphos, where a Mrs. Donahue has just recovered a verdict of $100 against a saloon-keeper for selling liquor to her husband.

—A Pennsylvania editor returns thanks for a serenade, and says: "In many localities this might be a thin way of expressing one's appreciation of a favor of this kind; but here, where he wells are nearly all dry, and the town is surrounded by a prohibitory law two miles wide, nothing better can be tendered."

—A new and ingenious advertising dodge is to print an advertisement upon a strip of paper like a telegraphic despatch, and inclose it an envelope of the telegraphic pattern.

—Yokohama, Japan, is to be lighted with gas. The Company is of native formation, and the works are to be supplied from Glasgow, Scotland.

—A new safe has been invented which makes things very unpleasant for burglars. The walls are filled with gunpowder in such a manner that the blow of a sledge, or the cutting of a chisel, in the attempt to rob the safe, will ignite the powder, blow off the outer crust, annihilate the burglar, and leave the contents of the safe uninjured.

—Rutger B. Miller, of Utica, N. Y., predicts that the land in the Northwest burned over last fall, will be seeded this spring with a species of cotton plant, called botanically epilobium, but vulgarly fire-weed. Mr. Miller claims that the plant is capable of being used for the same purpose as cotton. He has made candle and lamp wicks out of it, and ropes which bore as much weight as cotton rope of the same size. Carded and spun, it made excellent yarn, from which he has knitted socks, and is making good rating, and the finest of paper, being almost equal to silk for this purpose.

—It is stated in the New York *Evening Post*, that in Sweden licenses for the sale of liquors are put up at auction, and are sold for cash to the highest bidder. Hours of closing are designated for every beer-shop, and strictly adhered to. No liquor may be sold to a drunken man, and the money cannot be recovered for liquor sold on credit. The bars provide warm food, tea, and coffee, which, to a certain extent, supplant intoxicating drinks.

—A traveller in Polynesia concludes as follows a description of the women of Tahiti:

> The most bashful and coy never will pass you without a greeting, a glance of the eye, and a graceful curtsy in of her dress with her elbows, to exhibit her tawny figure to full advantage. Or, when you ride, she will come up coquettishly, and ask you for the loan of your cigar, take a few puffs at it, and hand it back again gracefully and the rather astonished owner, and then, with a parting compliment, which you don't at all like, undertake to "smoke" you for the rest of the journey—or not. The proper way to walk with your lady-love in Tahiti is as follows: You put your arm round her waist, and she hers round your neck, and rest on your breast in a blissful, affectionate manner. It is as much seen for lovers as walking arm-in-arm, and much prettier to look at.

—Francis Skiddy, the well known steamship owner and banker, of New York City, has associated himself with the Gallego Mills Company, of Richmond, Va., and they will shortly commence the erection of extensive cotton manufacturing mill on the site of the Gallego Mills, southwest corner of Canal and Twelfth streets. The new building will be the largest one of its kind in the United States. The plans and specifications of the structure are not yet completed. Captain Skiddy has taken $50,000 worth of stock in the new enterprise.

CHICAGO'S RAILROAD.

What a Cincinnatian Saw and Heard at Omaha, Council Bluffs, and on the Union Pacific Road.

Ogden, Utah (Feb 27), Correspondence of the Cincinnati Commercial.

Chicago is the great commercial terminus and beneficiary of the Union Pacific Railroad, although upon the map it appears to be Omaha. It is Chicago's railroad. Before ground was broken at Omaha, on the 5th day of November, 1865, and work commenced on the Union Pacific Railroad, at which time George Francis Train was called a fool for saying the road would be built and completed in five years,—at that time I say, there was not a railroad in the direction of Chicago nearer than 125 miles, yet now there are four, and more projected, and all from the travel over the great trans-continental highway passes through Chicago. Trains make close connection at Omaha, and instead of that ominous city being the terminus, it is merely a lunch station, where passengers on the continental route between Chicago and San Francisco can get a drink and a sandwich and pass on. The great iron bridge will be completed over the Missouri River at Omaha, and then it is doubtful if the passengers on Chicago's railroad will even honor Omaha by taking a drink there.

The great stream of travel from the Pacific slope and Far West passes right on to Chicago, and only occasionally a fellow sentenced to go to Sing Sing, or Cincinnati, "we never mention her" out on this route, as the railroad posters and placards have Chicago upon them in great big letters, plainfancy, fat, black, long, thick, slim, slender, bine, black, dun-colored and no-colored; some leaning over, some nearly on their heads, some straight up, some bursting out into tri-colored flowers, some in bronze, some in water colors, and all spelling out that magic word, Chicago. To read them one would think that not everybody in the world who wanted to go anywhere was bound for Chicago, or, if he had any other objective point, he must needs go through Chicago to get there.

At Council Bluffs, Iowa, just before crossing the Missouri, I noticed a great number of engines going this way and that way, some pulling cars and others not, and all seeming in inextricable confusion, but they all had a great big gilt "C" upon them standing for Chicago, and I knew that however any one train might plunge about over the plain, they all come from Chicago, and were going back to Chicago, and belonged to Chicago roads.

Crossing over to Omaha, I found Chicago papers everywhere, and Cincinnati papers nowhere. I found boxes, barrels, baskets, cases, casks, carpet-bags, knapsacks, hampers, bundles, band-boxes butter firkins, buckets, and every imaginable article of the sort labelled Chicago, some rudely marked with pot-brush, lamp-black and turpentine, and others with stencil plate, but all with Chicago.

> The fam ous and wondarful city,
> The proud and magnificent city,
> The Queen of the North and the West.

While in Omaha I eat Chicago bread and butter, drank Chicago coffee (it had stopped there long enough to be branded), which was handed me by a Chicago waiter, who said he was going back; talked with Chicago men, read Chicago papers, picked my teeth with Chicago tooth-picks, was shaved by a Chicago barber, who had been run out by the fire, but was going back; and would have smoked Chicago cigars if I had smoked any of any sort. Then I came out on Chicago's great railroad that leads to the Pacific, took a berth in a Chicago car, owned by a Chicago man, conducted by a Chicago conductor, and kept in order by a Chicago porter.

A newsboy came in—a Chicago newsboy, no doubt—with a huge bundle of papers, saying: "*Times* and TRIBUNE, gentlemen; *Times* and TRIBUNE, 10 cents."

"Give me a *Herald*," I said, taking out a shinplaster.

"*Herald*? what *Herald*? There's no such paper in Chicago."

"I mean the New York *Herald*. Did you ever hear of it?"

"Oh, yes; but I sell Chicago papers—*Times* and TRIBUNE, gentlemen: *Times* and TRIBUNE, latest editions; all about the Alabama business—have one, sir?"

At the stations every fellow would come for his *Times* or TRIBUNE, and go off into a corner to read it as if it was the only paper published.

Hundreds of miles out we were dashing over the plains at thirty miles an hour, when we pulled up at a switch to let a freight train pass that was so long that the switch would not hold it. Two enormous engines drew the monster along. I raised my eyes from THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE to see, and noticed that nearly every car had upon it, in large characters, "Chicago and San Francisco Fast Freight Line."

FROM WASHINGTON SOUTHWARD.

A Day at Richmond --- Governor Walker and His Legislature---Street Scenes and People.

First Glimpse of North Carolina---Wilmington Since the War---The Bandit Band of Lowrey.

Sketches of Ex-Senator Abbott and Ex-Governor Holden.

From Our Own Correspondent.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 28.

I have several times wished to make an excursion to Charleston and Wilmington, the ports of the Carolinas, my personal knowledge of the South having terminated heretofore at Norfolk and the James and Appomatox Rivers. The winter is the only season good for comfort and health to one not acclimatized on the low coasts below the Chesapeake, and, when I saw that brilliant Chicago delegation arrive in Washington last Friday, I knew that the interests of your city were already well attended to, and I hastened off at the wink.

THE JOURNEY TO RICHMOND.

A delicious moonlight night on the broad cove-making Potomac, passing the heights of Mount Vernon the day of Washington's birth,—the bells of the large steamboat tolling as we reached the spot,—gave me time for a stroll on the promenade-deck with a cigar, discoursing with a phlegmatic, unpivotal Englishman, who was on his way to estimate the coal-fields of Virginia and see if it was worth the while of his employers to invest their capital in them. Toward 9 o'clock I turned into a cold but well-clad state-room, and had just got into a dream (unreal, I fear) that Congress had ordered Chicago to be rebuilt, and that General Grant had for once prevailed upon his "Administration Senators" to believe him in earnest in recommending it, when the porter knocked and cried: "Acquia Creek!"

Placed in what are called Couch coaches,—barbers' chairs, rigid as if made for corpses, and shrouded all in white linen, where to lie down is to get the kidney disease, and to sit upright is to see old fields and fine woods, and bits of too-companionable starlight float by, and any way to catch cold, which I did,—I arose at Richmond at the inhospitable hour of 3, and was rattled off to the Ballard House, seeing nothing by the way but a streak of the James River all afire with the suppressed pulsation of blooming furnace-stacks, which tinted red she island, the rapids, and the rebuilded bridges.

RICHMOND RESUMED.

Next morning

THE NEXT EXPOSITION.

Annual Meeting of the Woollen Manufacturers' Association.

The Next Woollen Exposition to Be Held in Chicago.

Last Year's Protection Resolutions Again Adopted.

The annual meeting of the Woollen Manufacturers' Association of the West and South was held at the Tremont House yesterday morning, the President, George S. Bowen, of Chicago, in the chair. There was also present, Daniel Jones, of Watertown, Wis.; W. W. Eggleston, of Rock Island; D. Hill, of Chicago; Joseph Warder, of South Bend; Paris Gibson, of Minneapolis; M. R. Stoker, of Lowell, Mich.; J. C. Shelp, of Auburn; Richard Street, of Waukesha; John Kinsey, of Chicago; H. S. Dickerman, of Springfield, Ill.; A. B. Schooley, of Chicago; J. P. Goodale, of Elgin; J. H. Howard, of Chicago.

EXHIBITION BLANKETS.

Previous to the meeting being called to order Mr. Gibson exhibited a pair of beautiful woollen blankets, which were manufactured at Minneapolis. They will favorably compare with any goods in the country, or in the world. The manufacture of woollen goods is comparatively new to the West, but the work turned out is excellent. The number of mills is increasing every year, and before another decade the home market will not be as dependent as now upon Eastern mills for a supply of woollens.

REMARKS OF PRESIDENT BOWEN.

The President, in calling the assemblage to order, expressed his satisfaction at the large number present. All the books of the Association had been destroyed in the fire, so had the records, and the ashes, that the Association had better be abandoned, but he had become convinced that there was some life yet in Chicago, and he was sure there was strength and energy enough in the woollen manufacturers. All vitality among the woollen manufacturers would come with the next great improvement made in the manufacture of woollen goods, and the specimen blanket illustrated the principal fact they had grown into a higher civilization to resort to manufacturing woollens. Better goods were being produced, and they were securing a great deal every year. The present price of wool made it incumbent upon the manufacturer to avail himself of every source of information which would enable him to produce goods at the least possible expense. An increased production would decrease the expense, and successful manufacturers realize the necessity of reducing the number of articles, and making what they do well. Mr. Bowen gave his whole attention to showing the fluctuations in the price of wool in the city of Chicago shown in the Chicago market.

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REMORY.

Mr. Dickerman moved that the members be requested to forward to the Secretary whatever they knew about the Association, so that he can prepare a history of the organization. Agreed to.

THE NEXT EXPOSITION.

The President asked what should be done about second fiddle to any show again. There was enough in the Association to make a respectable exhibition. Cincinnati made all her rounder out of the woollen manufactures of the Northwest, and disgusted the whole organization. Agreed to exhibit a narrowness toward Chicago which surprised him.

Mr. Bowen favored the holding of the exhibition in Chicago. Of all cities in the West, this was the place to hold it. His wood vote to make it a permanent exhibition, and to hold it at the earliest possible point. He hoped all the woollen manufacturers in the West would become interested, and that they would have a good display.

Mr. Hill thought it would be well to ask the jobbing trade of Chicago, St. Louis, and Milwaukee. Boston was the place for exhibitions to be held, and a hundred head of mules. Afterward, Mr. Hill, of Boston, would be the best judge. In that capacity he hoped the people of the Republican party, and was making a scourge of the white slaveholder.

Mr. Stoly suggested that it's exhibition be held during the time of the Republican National Convention, as a great interest would be manifested in the proceedings of the Republican party.

Mr. Gibson thought that there ought to be also an exhibition of wool. The farmers in the different States would be interested, and would come to see the woollen goods, and the specimen blanket illustrated the principal fact they had grown into a higher civilization to resort to manufacturing woollens. Better goods were being produced, and they were securing a great deal every year. The present price of wool made it incumbent upon the manufacturer to avail himself of every source of information which would enable him to produce goods at the least possible expense. An increased production would decrease the expense, and successful manufacturers realize the necessity of reducing the number of articles, and making what they do well. Mr. Bowen gave his whole attention to showing the fluctuations in the price of wool in the city of Chicago shown in the Chicago market.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The President announced the following as the standing Committee:

Auditing Committee—Messrs. Goodale, Worden, and Street.

Election—Gibson, Dickerman, and Gardner.

Machinery—Farwell, Harris, and Stiely.

Raw Materials—Pope Eggleston, and Shields.

REGULAR GOODS ONLY.

Mr. Dickerman stated that there seemed to be but one opinion in regard to sending goods of roaring reputation, and he, therefore, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Corresponding Secretary be instructed to solicit contributions of regular goods only, and that this Association regards most earnestly to secure the repeal, or serious modification, of our present tariff laws, and considering that the principal opposition in our manufacturing interests, as alleged in the arguments of the opposition, is the ignorance and feeling of our producers, and that it is entirely dependent upon other influences.

Resolved, That this Association earnestly protest against any change in our present tariff laws, and urge every true friend of home industry and our earnest desire that they leave the present duties on wool and woollens in full force.

Mr. Dickerson did not like the preamble. It referred to depressing influences which did not now exist. They may have existed two or three years ago, but the manufacturers had no reason to complain now. He offered the following as a substitute.

WHEREAS, Efforts are being made by the advocates of Free Trade to influence Congressional legislation, with a view to the repeal or serious modification of our present tariff laws, and

WHEREAS, Influences which tended to depress the manufacturing interests of woollens have, for the past two or three years, been removed; therefore,

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The substitute was adopted.

On motion, the Corresponding Secretary was requested to send a copy of the resolutions to the members of Congress representing their respective districts.

THE NEXT EXPOSITION.

The President said he did not propose to have the exposition prove a failure, and he wanted to be distinctly understood. He thought they could make the most decided show of goods that had ever been made in the world.

Mr. Dickerman said there was a manufactory of woollen quilts, established at Rock Island, and that he would like to be corresponded with and asked to send samples.

ADJOURNED.

Mr. Dickerman said it was well known to the members of the Association that Mr. Bowen had been a resident of this city. His fellow citizens had honored him manifested a deep interest in the organization since its inception, and if any thanks were due for its life, they were due to him and the people of this city. He felt they owed more to Chicago than to any other city, and it behooved them to do something for its benefit. He submitted the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Association owes a debt of gratitude to our worthy President for his services in the inauguration of this Association, and his zeal in carrying out the objects for which it was organized.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Association are tendered to the Secretary of the Tremont House for his courtesy in extending the use of the Association of rooms for the meetings of the Association, and also to the managers of the Opera of Chicago who have tendered to the members of this Association the use of their rooms during the evening, and that our heart-felt sympathy in the great calamity which has overtaken the people of Chicago in the destruction of their beautiful and magnificent city be tendered. That it is the earnest desire of this Association that the Exposition to be held in the City of Chicago in the Fall of 1872 shall be a fitting tribute to the enterprise and energy of the people of the City of Chicago, and that the Association will do all in its power to make the second great effort of this city and its most commendable character more signal and greatly surpass its former grandeur and stability.

The President, on behalf of the city, returned thanks for the kind words of sympathy.

The Association then adjourned *sine die*.

THE LAW COURTS.

An Insane Man Invests in Valuable Real Estate.

A New Kind of Case—An Appeal from the Board of Police.

Superior Court

THE QUESTION OF INSANITY AN INTERESTING CASE.

It was mentioned a day or two since that there was on trial in this Court an issue of insanity. Mr. Lucius A. Willard, saving been found a lunatic in the County Court, his conservators sought to overset some pole real estate transactions which he had made—especially his contract to purchase lots on the corner of Clark and Madison streets. Willard having been declared to be insane, when his trial came on, and the jury reaching back two months and a half from that date, the present defendants claimed that they were not bound by any such *ex-parte* proceedings. They might be bound by the verdict as of to day, but as to the two months and a half backward they disclaimed. The case went to the jury, and the jury was instructed that, in a case of insanity, where much evidence is heard on both sides, the affirmative testimony of those best acquainted with the person alleged to be insane, and also the testimony of experts, should govern, which the testimony of Dr. Wright, or about the time of the act sought to be avoided, on the plea of insanity, had interviews with him, and testify they saw nothing indicating an unsound mind. The one is strong affirmative testimony, coming from a reliable quarter, while the other partakes of the nature of negative testimony, and by persons not in a position so favorable to form a correct judgment in matters of investment. Now, in this case, the only issue was whether Lucius A. Willard was on the 18th day of November, 1869, a lunatic, insane, or distracted person, and this question the jury should decide upon evidence and the law, as given by the Court, without regard to any effect which the decision might have upon the pecuniary interests of the respective parties.

Mr. Mason put in a plea to some residence property on Jefferson street, suggesting that the road come in on Sangamon, instead of Randolph.

Mr. Cooke had made a discovery and wished to announce it.

Mr. Childs insisted that the property of the Northwestern Railroad could not be condemned.

Mr. Mason said it could.

Ald. Otis said if it could be done, it would be desirable.

Mr. Mason contended that there was plenty of room on adjoining property for three roads, and the Northwestern themselves were petitioning that Kinzie should not be closed.

Mr. Kerfoot said it is a road could not afford to buy its way in, it was not right that it should come in.

Ald. Otis said if an amicable arrangement could be made with the Northwestern, it would save the city a great deal of money.

Mr. Kerfoot said that hedging in a piece of property between two roads was equivalent to taking it, and he objected.

The crowd from the south window gradually relinquished its stand, and gathered inquiringly around the counsel table.

Mr. Kerfoot said he was now negotiating with an Albany Manufacturing Company for the sale of this property, and if the road came in there the railroad in the rear was a benefit to his property, but the location of the proposed track would injure the sale of the property.

Ald. Otis inquired how it would do to put the track in the alley in the rear of Robeson street?

Mr. Kerfoot replied that it would be a most terrible nuisance to allowing the track on the street, but he was not in favor of it.

Ald. Otis said he was warmly that it was the duty of the Council to refuse any street or alley to a railroad. If they had not sufficient money to pay for the land, they had *primâ facie* evidence that it was not necessary.

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Several Propositions Submitted, but Nothing Agreed Upon.

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Ald. Woodman predicted that when Ald. Clarke returned they would proceed to business with a quorum. It was too stormy to expect Ald. Otis.

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COOK COUNTY AFFAIRS.

Their Regulation by the Board of Commissioners.

A Protest Against the Proposed Action of the Relief and Aid Society.

Movement Toward the Erection of a New County Hospital.

Pursuant to adjournment the Board of County Commissioners met yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the President, Mr. Pullis, in the chair. There were present, Commissioners Ashton, Crawford, Harris, Harrison, Hastings, Jones, Pahlman, Roelle, Skelly, and Stearns.

COOK COUNTY SCHOOL.

The Chair announced the special order to be the consideration of the resolutions offered by Commissioner Stearns, relating to the issue and sale of Cook County bonds. The resolutions have already appeared in THE TRIBUNE.

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The Chairman suspended action as out of order. The claims of Commissioners could be classed in the category of general claims against the county.

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Opening of the Senate Arms Sale Investigation.

Testimony of General Belknap, Secretary of War.

The Civil Service Reform Question Discussed in the Senate.

Special Despatch to The Chicago Tribune.

CHICAGO RELIEF BILL.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Failing again to get a postponement of the Appropriation bill, Senator Wright to-day gave notice that he would insist on taking up the Chicago Relief bill as soon as the Appropriation bill is disposed of, he would call up the Chicago Relief bill.

INQUIRIES SUGGESTED.

Mr. CHANDLER, from the Committee on Commerce, reported a resolution directing the Committee on Commerce to make a thorough inquiry into the subject of immigration and treatment of immigrants. After their arrival in this country, and to inquire into the existing laws and regulations at the chief ports in the United States.

Mr. COLE suggested that the inquiry had better not confine itself to the treatment of immigrants by railroad companies.

Mr. CHANDLER accepted the amendment.

Mr. TRUMBULL thought the inquiry unnecessary and expensive for the Committee to visit all the chief ports, and Mr. Conkling suggested that they should go only to New York, Philadelphia and Baltimore.

Mr. CHANDLER accepted this amendment also, and the resolution as amended was agreed to.

APPROPRIATION BILL.

The Senate resumed the consideration of the Legislative Appropriation bill, the bill having been reported yesterday from the Committee of the Whole, with all the amendments made in committee concurred in except those rejected by the Senate.

REINSTATEMENT DESIRED.

Mr. SCOTT presented a petition of citizens of Allegheny County, Pa., asking Congress to reinstate Thomas Scott to the amount of three-fifths of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company to secure an additional width of the channel-span of the bridge over the Ohio River, so as to remove all obstruction to the free obstruction of the river commerce, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

PUBLIC LANDS.

Mr. AMES, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported the bill to provide for the disposition of that portion of the military reservation at Fort Ripley, Minn., lying east of the Mississippi River, which was passed.

COMMERCIAL RELATIONS.

Mr. CHANDLER presented a memorial of the National Board of Trade asking the passage of a law authorizing American citizens to purchase foreign-built ships, and register them for service under the American flag in our foreign maritime trade, and declaring that all goods and produce needed for the subsistence on vessels engaged in foreign trade, or in the sailing or repairing of such ships or any part of the hull or rigging thereof, may be withdrawn free of duty from bonded warehouses, and to provide for the return to American registry of all tonnage alienated during the war to foreign flags, as owners may desire.

Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION BILL.

Consideration of the Legislative Appropriation bill was resumed. The amendment authorizing the employment of forty additional clerks of class 1 in the Land Office, was then put to the vote. The question being on an amendment appropriating $6,000 to be expended by the President in printing, in force the Civil Service Reform recommendations, Mr. CARPENTER moved to strike it out, and spoke against the following:

"All laws or parts of laws under which the Civil Service Reform Commission was appointed are repealed, and that Commission is abolished."

Mr. THURMELL moved to lay the substitute on the table. Carried—yeas 29, nays 20. All the Republicans who voted against laying Mr. Carpenter's substitute on the table were: Caldwell, Cameron, Carpenter, Chandler, Clayton, Ferry, Hamlin, Hitchcock, Kellogg, Kelly, Logan, Osborn, Pomeroy, Pool, Ramsey, West, Windom. The only Democrat who voted against it were Blair, Cooper, and Saulsbury.

The question then recurred on the original amendment, appropriating $60,000 for this purpose.

Mr. SHERMAN said he hoped the operation of the scheme recommended by the Civil Service Commission would be confined to Washington, New York, and some of the larger cities, where reform was most needed; because if the President attempted to extend it over the whole country it would evidently break down by its own weight. While he was in favor of reform in the Civil service, he was not confident that it could be effected on this plan, but Congress being already committed to it, an appropriation ought to be made, so as to give it a fair trial, if only to demonstrate its failure.

Mr. LOGAN said that the system proposed by the Commission was a humbug. Two or three days ago there was an examination in one of the Departments, where twenty-three applicants were present for the clerkships of the clerks in the Department told him before the examination the name of the man who would get the appointment. (Laughter.) He knew how it was done, but he knew the fact, as an illustration of the folly of the selection of public officers by competitive examination. He (Logan) was as much in favor of reform as anybody, but not a reform of this kind.

Mr. EDMUNDS inquired what kind of reform he did want?

Mr. LOGAN said he had not fully considered the matter, but would state some things he thought would do if he had the power. Whenever a man performed his duties well, he would let him alone; and whenever a man did not well, he would turn him out. He would also make the time of office of public officials so extensive with that of the President, so that changes would not be made indiscriminately. Further, if an officer performed his duties in such a way as to make his neighbors uncomfortable, he would remove him. He would turn him out.

Mr. EDMUNDS thought it very remarkable that the wisdom of the country should be concentrated in Congress, having last year declaboriously passed a law authorizing the President to appoint a board to frame rules for the civil service. It was now proposed to abandon the effort and repeal the law just as soon as an attempt was made to put it into practical operation. He agreed entirely with those who denounced the Civil Service Reform as a humbug, and as encroachment on the legislative rights of the people, for it was a humbug that had been unwarrantably infringed. In the good old times, when he went to a Department and asked for the appointment of a clerk, he got one, not because he "was a friend of his," or he "was a good fellow," or "wanted a place to make a living," but because a Senator, or some other man of good means, the matter was generally arranged satisfactorily without any very important consequences. Now, if he went to the head of the Department and asked for a clerk, he was told to consult the Civil Service Commission. The rule, however, was not enforced beyond the next week.

Without long discussion on other points, Sherman noticed in the report of his testimony before the House Committee on Expenditures in the War Department.

To-morrow the Committee will examine Gen eral Dyer, Chief of Ordnance, at his house, he being confined to his room by illness.

Senator Schurz was present by invitation, and put numerous questions to Secretary Belknap regarding the sale of arms. The Secretary said that Senator Schurz was present at the instance of the Senator's wife, who was in possession of the telegram in question, which was the first intimation he had received of the matter. Senator Schurz's wife was right in the inference, although according to his recollection it was that of Washington. He could not say positively, although he knew who was right in the inference.